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PRESIDENT-ELECT IN NEW ORLEANS

Welcomed by Great Parade in His Honor.

CABINET TALK IS REVIVED

With Taft's Return to America, Portfolio Problem Again Looms Up. Favored Ones Selected?

New Orleans, Feb. 11.—President-elect William H Taft landed here shortly before 3 o'clock this afternoon from Panama and was most enthusiastically received by the entire city, whose guest he is to be until Saturday morning.

Mr. Taft made a brief speech this afternoon in which he heartily approved the present lock canal across the isthmus of Panama. He reviewed a parade of several miles in length and attended the Elves of Oberon ball. Mr. Taft will tomorrow address the negro Y. M. C. A and at night will be the guest of honor at an elaborate banquet in which nearly 500 prominent citizens will pay $25 a plate to participate. Saturday morning the president-elect will go to Cincinnati, from where on Monday he will leave for Washington, returning again to Cincinnati Wednesday.

Mr. Taft received the first news of the constitutional question which has been raised against the appointment of Mr. Knox to a cabinet position by wireless yesterday when he was apprised, not only by press message, but by a dispatch giving the views of Senator Knox. That he was somewhat disturbed over the situation last night was admitted, but early today he received the news of the disposition of congress to amend the cabinet salary law by making the pay of the secretary of state what it was before the recent election, and the president-elect, was inclined to accept this as a solution.

With the return of Mr Taft to the country, cabinet speculation became at once attractive. No information is to be given to the public, however, from an authoritative source. Mr Taft said he should adhere to his previously announced plan of keeping silent and also keeping cabinet appointments open until the very last moment to provide against possible contingencies.

Results Expected.

It is regarded, however, as highly probable that [illegible] of cabinet positions are to be made without great delay. Mr Taft said he expected to be placed in possession of information he desired and had asked to be obtained for him during his absence. The expected arrival here of Frank H. Hitchcock and the presence here of J. C Shaffer, owner of the Chicago Evening Post on whose judgment Mr. Taft said he should place great weight regarding cabinet aspirants from the vicinity of Chicago, made it apparent that cabinet activities have begun.

In this connection there was a rumor here today that J. M. Dickinson of Nashville, general counsel for the Illinois Central railway, was being considered for the war portfolio, but no confirmation in the way of a positive statement could be obtained.

From what Mr Taft said today it is a fair inference that he has as yet decided on no one for the treasury portfolio, but that as to the other places his ideas are decidedly more definite.

On the trip from Panama Mr. Taft made the first draft of his inaugural address. This he intends to submit to certain friends in Washington on his forthcoming visit there next week.

The inability of the board of civil engineers to complete their report on the resolutions regarding which their advice has been asked regarding the Panama canal made the Washington visit planned by Mr Taft necessary. The engineers will go at once to Washington to complete their work.

Engineers' Report.

It may be stated that their report will be a complete approval of present plans and methods on the isthmus. They will not only recommend the construction of the Gatun dam, but give it as their judgment that the dam will be perfectly safe if built to a height of 115 feet instead of 135 feet, thus saving expense in construction.

Other features of their report will deal with the thickness of cement required for the walls and floors of the locks; devices for handling ships in the locks and the approval of the $10,000,000 breakwaters at Colon, the construction of which will create a harbor out of the present open roadstead. The failure of the engineers to complete their report was said to be due to their desire for careful consideration regarding just the manner of stating their conclusions, rather than any disagreement regarding what those conclusions are.

In his speech on the steps of the city hall here today Mr. Taft made what he said was his summing up of his recent trip.

"I am here on my way from a great constructive work," he said, after paying his compliments to his audience, "the greatest entered upon by any nation during the present two centuries, and I am glad to say to you, who perhaps are more interested in that work than any other part of the people of the United States, that the work is going on as you would have it go on. That on January 1, 1915, at least, if not before—and I am very much interested in having it within the next four years—that the canal will be completed. And when that time comes you will see loading down this river your great commerce bound, through those straits to the west coast of South America, to the Orient and to Australia.

"The board of engineers that accompanied me have examined the whole work and they say it is good; that it shall go on as it has gone on; that the organization of the isthmus—the American push and the good feeling that is there—commends itself to them as men who understand great works of that class and convinces them that the canal is now an immediate prospect."

Picturesque Entry.

Mr Taft's entry into New Orleans was picturesque and thrilling. He came up the 100 miles of the Mississippi from its mouth on the scout cruiser Birmingham at the rate of nearly 30 miles an hour, breaking all records. All the shipping in the river

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SECRET SERVICE NOT HAMSTRUNG

Senate Committee Thinks President's Strictures Unjustified.

NOT HAMPERED BY LIMITATION

Declared That Administration's Efforts Were Not Crippled by Restriction on Use of Detectives.

Washington, Feb. 11.—Senator Hemenway today presented in the senate the report of the committee on appropriations concerning the effect of the limitations upon the secret service contained in the sundry civil bill for the fiscal year 1909, which limitation was the subject of protest by President Roosevelt in his annual message to congress. The subject was investigated by a special committee of Senators Hemenway, Gallinger and Clay, and the senators found that the administration had not been hampered in its work by the action of congress in limiting the operations of the secret service.

Discussing the report in a speech on the senate floor, Mr. Hemenway today said the appropriations for the secret service began with $2,500 in 1867 and has been increased and decreased from time to time until, for the fiscal year 1908, the appropriation was $125,000, which enabled the regular employment of about 65 men. Continuing, Mr. Hemenway said:

"There was appropriated by the last congress over $32,000,000, which is available, directly or indirectly, for protecting the government against frauds and violations of the law. It can hardly be said that the amendment to the sundry civil bill, which affected the transfer and detail of but 65 men, was made in an attempt to protect criminals when the same congress that made this amendment appropriated nearly $5,000,000 more than ever was appropriated before to strengthen the executive branch of the government in law administration."

An Army of Detectives.

"If the men employed by the government on inspection work," said Mr. Hemenway, "were to march through the streets of Washington, it would appear like an army compared with the number of men so employed in 1896."

In reply to a question by Mr. Foraker, Mr. Hemenway said there were 3,000 employed on inspection work, 3,000 men, which figures did not include men employed on the enforcement of the pure food law and the meat inspection law, and these men, he said, had all the powers of secret service men.

With the army of inspectors, Mr. Homenway said, the government had ample power to bring about the detection of crime and to bring the guilty to justice.

Mr. Hemenway declared that the charge made by the president concerning the secret service "was absolutely wrong and erroneous and never ought to have been made."

"I think that when the president of the United States prepared the message he was misled by the head of the secret service bureau, who had, at that time, 65 men in his bureau. I can understand how men are ambitious to have great power and how the head of the secret service bureau would like to have all the inspection service of the United States under his control. That is one of his dreams."

Mr. Overman declared that he understood from the report that over $10,000,000 had been spent on the secret service of the government in all of its branches and he wanted to show how those detectives had occupied their time. He said that a charge had been made that peonage existed in his State of North Carolina and the department of justice had employed discharged cotton mill employes as detectives, who, he said, did not have good characters and who obtained flimsy testimony, which led the judge trying the case severely to criticize the methods used.

The debate was then brought to a close.

ROCK HILL TO ISSUE BONDS FOR SEWERAGE

Citizens Decide on Municipal Improvement by Vote of 369 to 110—Mayor Roddey Reelected.

Special to The State.

Rock Hill, Feb. 11.—The most important issue which this city has faced in years was today decided for progress and health when, by a decisive vote of more than three to one, Rock Hill voted bonds for the building of a sewerage system. The resolution of the city council, which was voted on, provides for the issuing of the necessary amount of bonds, not to exceed $250,000, for the above purpose. The votes was 369 to 110.

Messrs. Ira. B. Dunlap, Thos. Of Flowers and E. H. Johnson were elected commissioners of public works.

Mayor Roddey was elected for the third time. The vote was 293 to 213 for his opponent, Mr. J. Boyd Creighton. Mr. E. W. Hall was elected in Ward 1 as alderman, Mr. J. M. Cherry in Ward 4, Mr. J. E. Parker at large.

THE CENSUS BILL PIGEONHOLED

All Attempts to Pass It Over President's Veto Abandoned for a Time at Least.

Washington, Feb. 11.—All attempts to pass at this time the census bill over the president's veto were abandoned today by leaders of the house and senate. In conformity with this decision the house committee on census considered the subject for a few minutes and then adjourned to meet at the call of the chairman. The bill will probably remain pigeonholed in the committee for the remainder of the session.

Proclaims a Holiday.

Washington, Feb. 11—The president today issued a proclamation declaring tomorrow, February 12, the 100th anniversary of Lincoln's birth, a special legal holiday in the District of Columbia and the Territories, both houses today having passed a bill providing therefor.

READY WIRELESS SUMMONS SUCCOR

Seven Ships Hasten to Aid Distressed Barkentine.

HELPLESS OFF CAPE HATTERAS

Six Ocean-going Vessels and Revenue Cutter Hurry to Aid of Sea-battered Matanzas.

New York, Feb. 11—Thanks to a wireless summons sent by the steamer El Norte of the Southern Pacific Steamship company, six ocean-going vessels and the revenue cutter Onondaga are keeping more or less distant watch tonight on the barkentine Matanzas, bound for Philadelphia from Fernandina, and sighted 12 miles southeast of the Diamond Shoal lightship, flying signals of distress in a northeast gale.

The El Norte came up with the barkentine yesterday and stood by her until daylight, while the crew jettisoned her cargo of lumber.

A wireless message sent by the El Norte to owners of the Matanzas here apprised them of the plight of the barkentine. A similar message sent to the four winds was picked up by the steamer Comus of the Southern Pacific Steamship company, which hastened to the assistance of the disabled ship. The El Norte then proceeded upon assurance from the captain of the Matanzas that he could keep his vessel afloat.

When the Comus came up with the barkentine a few hours later the water was gaining on the men at the pumps at the rate of a foot an hour, and her captain decided to stand by. A wireless message sent by him to the Hatteras station and out to sea a thousand miles brought the steamer Larimer of the J M. Guffey Petroleum company to the scene and the two vessels stood guard over the little sinking craft until 6 o'clock this afternoon when she was reported 43 miles northeast of the Diamond Shoal lightship. The Larimer then proceeded, leaving the Comus on guard.

The Comus and the Cape Hatteras station are in wireless communication with the revenue cutter Onondaga, which is hurrying to the assistance of the Matanzas and with the Prince Eitel Friederick of the Hamburg-American line en route from Jamaica to New York, the Comanche of the Clyde line, on her way from New York to Jacksonville; the Seminole of the Clyde line, bound from Turk's Island to New York, and the Lampasas of the Mallory line, out from New York for Tampa, so that the barkentine will not want for assistance should it be needed.

Drifting Ashore.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 11—The barkentine Matanzas is in distress off Big Kennakeet and she is asking for the assistance of a tug. A wireless message to the navy yard this afternoon from Hatteras states that the vessel is leaking at the rate of one foot per hour and can not make any progress, gradually being swept to the beach. The revenue cutter Onondaga, already en route to sea, was ordered to answer the distress signals without delay.

PRESIDENT LEAVES FOR LINCOLN FARM

Roosevelt Begins Last Extended Tour as Chief Executive of the United States.

Washington, Feb. 11.—Beginning the last extended trip he will make as chief executive of the United States, President Roosevelt left Washington by special train at noon today for Hodgenville, Ky., where tomorrow he will do honor to the memory of Abraham Lincoln at the war president's birthplace.

Accompanying the president were Mrs. Roosevelt, Miss Roosevelt, Secretary of War Wright, Secretary Loeb, Surgeon General Rixey, Capt. A. W. Butt, T. H. Netherland of the executive office and O. T. Boyd of the Pennsylvania railroad.

The presidential party is due to arrive at Hodgenville, which is several miles removed from the railroad, about noon Friday. After the exercises they will return immediately to Washington, arriving here early Saturday afternoon.

CHEERED BY PENNSYLVANIANS

President, En Route to Hodgenville, Ky., Makes Three Stops in the Keystone State.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 11.—President Roosevelt arrived here at 9.15 tonight and remained 15 minutes. There were only three stops between Washington and this city, one at Baltimore, one at Harrisburg and one at Altoona. At Harrisburg there were 400 to 500 persons congregated and they received the chief executive with vociferous cheering. At Altoona there was a much larger crowd and, despairing of greeting all individually, he undertook to speak to them collectively, but was prevented from doing so by the enthusiasm of the crowd. He could find opportunity only to express his gratification over the fact that the people of Pennsylvania greeted him with their old-time cordiality, to say that he was very glad to see them and to wish them "all possible good luck."

Here the president gave a talk to several hundred persons gathered about the rear of his car. The president congratulated several of the men upon bringing their "better halves." He said the average American citizen was a good fellow, but his wife was a better fellow. President Roosevelt said he always felt that when he left the White House he wanted the people to feel that he had always done the best thing for them. He appeared extremely pleased when the crowd yelled, "You have."

The president is due at Louisville tomorrow at 9.20 a. m., and at Hodgenville, the nearest railroad station to the Lincoln farm about noon.

Mrs. Taft Honored.

Augusta, Ga., Feb. 11.—Mrs. William Howard Taft was today made an honorary member of the local Y. W. C. A., which was organized with about 600 members. Her name heads the list of members.

KNOX DECLARED TO BE ELIGIBLE

Senate Committee on Judiciary Passes on Case.

TO REDUCE SECRETARY'S PAY

Bill Will be Introduced Repealing Increased Salary of Holder of State Portfolio.

Washington, Feb. 11.—Senator Knox is declared by the senate committee on judiciary to be eligible for appointment to the office of secretary of state in Mr Taft's cabinet, providing the salary of the office is reduced from $12,000 to $8,000 a year, which was the salary of the office prior to the action of congress in raising it during Senator Knox's present term of office.

The committee today considered the bill introduced yesterday by Senator Hale.

It was decided by the committee that the main proposition of the Hale bill, which was to repeal the increase of salaries of cabinet members so far as it referred to the secretary of state, was sound. The phraseology of the bill, however, met with criticism, and it was decided to draft a new measure and Senator Bacon was entrusted with its preparation.

Some criticism was made of the Hale bill on the ground that it did not actually fix the salary of secretary of state at $8,000 a year, although it repealed the provision raising it from that figure.

The substitute definitely fixes the emoluments at $8,000 a year.

Without debate the bill was placed on the senate calendar, where it can be called up for consideration and passage at any time.

PROMINENT SPEAKERS AT EDUCATION MEETING

President Eliot of Harvard and James Bryce, British Ambassador, Among the Number.

Chicago, Feb. 11.—Advantages and needs of dormitory life for students were discussed today at the meeting of the department of universities and colleges of the Religious Education association.

Harvard university is opposed to luxury and the segregation of the rich, declared Dr. Charles W. Eliot, president of the university. "A few years ago, when I was a student, we had no gas, we drew water from a pump in the court yard, and when the first carpet was introduced considerable complaint was made at this evidence of luxury. We don't want exactly these conditions to prevail now, but we are opposed to extreme luxury. The private dormitory has done much to compel the improvement of the college dormitory. At Harvard there are many beautiful dormitories, but they are each presided over by an official."

James Bryce, ambassador from Great Britain, pointed out to the delegates what he said was the necessity of religious teaching along with ethical teaching. In a country like the United States, where it had long been settled that religious instruction was not to be given in schools supported by the State, he said, it was especially urgent that religious organizations should take up the work. He declared that "in large sections of the country there was a tendency towards indifference in religion and a diminished reverence for religious beliefs."

WILL ASK NEW TRIAL OF JONES MURDER CASE

Great Interest Centres in Petition Presented by Attorneys of Convicted Union Man.

Union, S. C., Feb. 11.—Great public interest in this State centres around the motion for a new trial in the case of W T Jones, charged with the murder of his wife last July, who on last Saturday was found guilty of murder with recommendation to mercy, which hearing will come up before Judge R. W. Memminger here tomorrow. Jones is quoted as saying that the real fight in his case has only just begun. He has been very ill with gastritis, but is better.

M'LAURIN UPHOLDS NEGROES' DISCHARGE

Praises President for Dismissing Soldiers of Twenty-fifth Cavalry, Believed to be Guilty of Shooting.

Washington, Feb. 11.—Senator McLaurin of Mississippi spoke today on the Brownsville affair, upholding the course taken by the president in the discharge of the negro soldiers of the Twenty-fifth regiment and maintaining that he could not sign a bill for their reenlistment without stultifying himself.

"The president," he said, "is entitled to the plaudits, 'Well done, good and faithful servant,' for discharging the whole worthless band."

WEIGHT OF COTTON BALES.

New Orleans, Feb. 11.—Secretary Hester today issued a statement of weights of 8,241,565 bales of cotton handled at ports and overland across the Mississippi, Ohio and Potomac rivers to American manufacturers outside of the cotton belt during the months of September to January, inclusive, showing an average per bale of 510 43-100 against 512 18-100 pounds per bale for the same period last year.

Calhoun Trial Postponed.

San Francisco, Feb. 11.—The trial of Patrick Calhoun, president of the United Railways, accused of bribery, was postponed today until next Monday on account of the illness of Assistant District Attorney Francis J. Heney, who is conducting the prosecution.

DISPENSARY WORK WAS CRITICISED

Senate Discusses Action of the Commission.

WINDING UP NO EASY TASK

Defense of Rights of State to Retain Control of Institution Calls Forth Talk.

Upon the bill to provide further for the winding up of the affairs of the State dispensary there arose considerable discussion in the senate yesterday, the remarks of some of the senators reaching out so as to embrace the expenditures of the winding up commission and even to touch upon the action of the United States courts in holding up the funds of this defunct institution.

When the bill was reached on the calendar in the third reading bills Senator Johnson of Fairfield objected to consideration, as he stated he wished to look further into the bill. He also proposed an amendment to strike out section 2 of the bill in reference to the per diem of the commissioners. He argued that there is now pending litigation upon this dispensary matter; that as there is application for receivers before the federal courts, the present commissioners are practically "out of business."

The section he most seriously objected to was that which provides for the compensation of members of the commission, who, he stated, were now out of office.

Senator Johnson stated that the winding up commission had expended about $60,000.

It was upon this statement that the rush of discussion came. Senator Christensen stated that to say this was a reflection upon the men who had acted as commissioners in this matter. He explained further the provisions of his bill. It gives the sinking fund the power to lease the building of the old State dispensary as well as to rent the same. The sinking fund is to be reimbursed for the expenditure of money therefor.

Senator Mauldin stated that it would be best to get this bill through at once, so as to provide for some disposition of the property. As it now stands the State is expending about $2,000 a year for the keeping up of the building. Nobody has thus far wanted to buy the building at the price set by the State through the legislature.

Discussion Renewed.

The old State dispensary, the original investigating committee, the present dispensary commission, the bills of the various liquor houses, even the old building itself, were all dug up from their graves upon Senator Johnson's charges as to expenditure of money by the commission, which is now tied up by the courts. There arose such a storm of discussion as has not been seen in the upper branch of the legislature since the old days when whiskey was really an issue.

It all came about upon Senator Christensen's bill to provide further for the closing up of the State dispensary. It was understood, not upon motion, however, that when the senate went over to ballot that the matter would be taken up at the afternoon session. However, when the senate returned to its chamber Senator Johnson produced some records to prove his statements as to the expenditure of money by the commission.

Senator Johnson read from the reports of 1908, which were for the previous fiscal year, that the winding up commission had expended $59,389.66. Also there had been an expenditure of $28,000 by the former investigating committee.

"There must have been some extravagance," said Mr. Johnson, "and somebody has been derelict in duty as to bringing to justice those who were charged with having committed offenses against this State. How many have been prosecuted? How many have been imprisoned? Not one."

Senator Johnson stated that besides an expenditure of $80,000, as shown in the reports, there had been an additional $15,000 granted to the commission before Judge Pritchard, making $95,000. Also the legislature had given an additional $20,000, making $115,000.

The senator from Union, Mr. B. F Townsend, stated that the attorney general had not even asked the State of South Carolina to prosecute any of the offenders.

Senator Johnson remarked that there had been such a mass of testimony taken by the investigating committee that Gov. Heyward had ordered the lamented attorney general, Leroy F. Youmans, to prosecute the offenders. That this distinguished lawyer had looked over the testimony and had refused to carry out the governor's orders, as he stated there was not sufficient evidence to convict.

"What can't we bring to justice the offenders," asked Mr. Johnson, "without the expenditure of more than $100,000? Why are we keeping in office men at enormous expense when there are solicitors in the State who could do the very work and are doing it at much less cost?"

Senator Christensen Explains.

Senator Christensen, although he stated that the discussion had assumed proportions not contemplated by the bill, wished to answer the charges that had been made. His bill touches only the subject of per diem and mileage, against which expenditures there had been made no charges. The amount expended during the year in question in this particular was $2,800.

Senator Christensen summed up the charges of Senator Johnson as follows: "There have been expenditures to the amount of $60,000 for investigations and other expenses. An enormous amount recklessly expended."

Mr. Christensen took up the various items in the reports of the commission and explained where the money was spent and the amount saved to the State of South Carolina in said expenditure, and in the investigation of the State dispensary and the bills audited from the various whiskey houses.

For investigating purposes the auditing companies had been paid $6,000. These had cut down the face value of accounts $60,000.

There had been expended $5,000 on an item marked "expenses," in reality de-

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REEVES HEARING MORE EXCITING

Charge of Tampering With Witnesses Made.

OPPOSING COUNSEL WARM UP

R. Lon Weeks and John Jones Have Sharp Exchange—The Testimony Introduced.

Special to The State.

St. George, Feb. 11.—It was not until late this afternoon that any sensation developed in the hearing of the parties held for the murder of Pressley Reeves, the young game warden, who was murdered last September. This was when Mr. R. Lon Weeks, who represents the State, made the statement that during the dinner period some of the witnesses who had testified during the morning hours had been intimidated. Mr. John Jones of Branchville, who represents the defendant, Tom Fairey, rose in reply and said that he had been informed that the lives of those in jail had been made miserable by the detectives employed by the State. "Time after time they have not only been asked for statements, but these have been demanded, and I have been told that this demand was instigated by the counsel for the prosecution."

In answer to this Mr. Weeks rose and stated that he would hold Mr. Jones personally responsible for any insinuations made against himself.

After court adjourned the matter, which at first had seemed to tend towards a sensation, was amicably settled by the parties concerned. Magistrate Moorer ruled that all parties would henceforward be excluded from the jail, with the exception of counsel for the defense.

The day's work opened with examination of Meyrick Reeves, the father of the dead game warden. Mr Reeves is a typical farmer of lower South Carolina. There were few in the court room who were not impressed by the evident sincerity of this witness. Mr. Reeves is a man of worth and standing in his community.

Objection by Defense.

When he began his testimony, ex-Senator Raysor, who represents four of the defendants made an objection to any evidence which concerned feuds existing prior to the killing. As a precedent for this he cited to Magistrate Moorer the recent very interesting ruling of Judge R. W. Memminger in the notorious Jones trial at Union, stating that no testimony beyond six months should be competent. In accordance with this ruling, Mr. Reeves was unable to introduce the story of the feuds which have existed between his family and the McAlhanys, and which, it is commonly understood, have existed as far back as 1881.

Mr. Weeks then endeavored to prove by three witnesses that certain shotgun shells had been sold to one of the defendants. However, one of the witnesses for the defense would not give the testimony evidently expected of him by the prosecution. This was Rigby, a storekeeper at Reevesville. After the prosecution had introduced a certain shotgun wad picked up in the road at the point where young Reeves was killed, the prosecution endeavored to establish the fact that a shell with this wad had been sold to Arnold McAlhany. Rigby testified that he could not definitely state that this character of shell had been sold to the man named above.

One of the most interesting features of the day was Isaac Simons, a grizzled old negro, who stated that on "his own merits" he had tried to make up the quarrel between Merriman Reeves and the deceased and his father. The principal point of his testimony was that Merriman Reeves in response to his advances, said: "No, I have got a good pistol and I will kill them both." Simon did some very skillful fencing with the attorneys for the defense. He was evidently afraid of being caught in some of his statements and the innate cunning of his race asserted itself at once. To several of Mr. Raysor's questions he said "Now dat's a private business and I don't tink you oughter ask dat," and to each of these questions the attorney good naturedly assented.

Prosecution's Plan.

Lines were laid by the prosecution to prove that Merriman Reeves was seen going with a shotgun to the swamp near which young Reeves was killed in the afternoon of the murder. Most of this evidence was based on the testimony of various negroes who worked in the cotton fields in the locality. Jack Henderson, who was brought out by the prosecution, turned out to be a witness practically for the defense. Two other witnesses were Malachi Jones, a badly frightened negro, and his younger brother, Murray Jones, 13 years old, who after all was really the best witness who has been introduced since the preliminary began. The defense had a hard time with Murray, who is a bright boy.

Jane Jones, another negro witness, testified that she heard Charley McAlhany tell Merriman Reeves, "You keep your month shut and we will save you," but this witness became badly tangled and contradicted herself several times during the examination.

A question of legal right came up today when the prosecution tried to introduce what the defense characterized as hearsay evidence. Mr Weeks had evidently expected the witness Rigby to testify that he had sold a certain shell to Arnold McAlhany, but Rigby did not do so. This afternoon the prosecution endeavored to introduce Frank Otto to prove that Rigby had specified that he did sell these shells, but the defense objected, contending that Weeks was trying to contradict his own witness (Rigby) and that he was trying "to refresh his memory." Mr. Weeks stated that he will bring plentiful precedent in the way of supreme court rulings to substantiate his point.

A great deal of curiosity has been manifested on account of the fact that so much testimony and so many witnesses have been used in a preliminary, usually a very commonplace proceeding. It is thought, however, that the prosecution has considered this point carefully, and believes that it is advisable to secure the testimony of all the witnesses it has at its command.

The investigation will probably conclude tomorrow. L.

HYDRICK NAMED FOR JUSTICESHIP

Deadlock in Joint Assembly Broken Last Night.

MR. SHEPPARD WITHDRAWN

Final Ballot Between Hydrick and Cothran—Result of the Ballot on the Last Go-round.

A deadlock lasting through 37 ballots was broken last night by the election of D. E. Hydrick of Spartanburg as associate justice to succeed Ira B. Jones, recently made chief justice.

It became apparent during the ballots taken the day before and the ballots taken yesterday morning that Mr. Hydrick was gaining rapidly and with Messrs. Cothran and Sheppard still in the race the ballot would have been indefinitely prolonged and that legislation would have been blocked.

It was no surprise, therefore, when Senator Weston announced last night that he was authorized to withdraw the name of Mr. John C. Sheppard. Mr. Sheppard had received a magnificent vote and he was gratified with the support of his friends, but he felt that it would be but prolonging a final decision to allow his name to be used longer.

Mr. Weston and the other members of the Richland delegation then cast their votes solidly for Mr. Hydrick and with the other changes it was shown early in the final roll call that Mr. Cothran was defeated. Mr. Cothran is one of the most popular members of

D. E. HYDRICK,
Elected Associate Justice.

the house. He had strong support from the time of his entry. The name of John C. Sheppard also carried a large number of members and Mr. Hydrick had from the start a strong organization. Therefore it was evident that there would be a deadlock until one of these three names was withdrawn.

The ballots taken yesterday were as follows:

First ballot—Cothran 48; Hydrick 63; Sheppard 50.

Second ballot—Cothran 47; Hydrick 68, Sheppard 46.

Third ballot—Cothron 47; Hydrick 71; Sheppard 43.

Fourth ballot—Cothran 40, Hydrick 75; Sheppard 46.

After this ballot the name of Mr. Sheppard was withdrawn and the final ballot resulted as follows.

Cothran 57; Hydrick 103.

The election of Mr. Hydrick was then formally announced. The elevation of Mr. Hydrick as associate justice means the election of a circuit judge for his unexpired term. The name of Mr. Thomas S Sease has been most prominently mentioned among the supporters of Mr. Hydrick, although last night it was said that Mr. Hall and Mr. Otts would also be nominated. The joint assembly will probably fill this vacancy Saturday or Monday.

FIRST BALLOT.

The first ballot resulted as follows:

For Cothran.

Senators Christensen, Johnstone, Mauldin, Montgomery, Muckenfuss, Otts, Sinkler.

Representatives Whaley, Joshua W Ashley, Melvin J. Ashley, Berg, Boyd, Browning, Carey, Celey, Clary, Cosgrove, Dear, Duvall, E C Edwards, Fraser, Gasque, J P. Gibson, Graham, Greer, Griffin, Hamer, Harris, J. R. Harrison, Wade C. Harrison, Lane, Lawson, League, Mann Mars, Mauldin, Paulling, Rucker, Scarborough, K. P Smith, Jared D. Sullivan, C A Smith, P. P. Sullivan, Tobias, Todd, Vander Horst, Whatley, Wingo.

For Hydrick.

Senators Bass, Carlisle, Carpenter, Clifton, Earle, Harvey, Hough, Johnson, Laney, Lide, McCown, Rogers, Smith, Stewart, Summers, Townsend, Walker, Wharton.

Messrs Amick, Bowman, Brown, W. D. Bryan, Bunch, Cantrell, Carwile, Carter, Dick, Isaac Edwards, Fultz, Dixon, Foster, W. J. Gibson, Glasscock, Green, Hall, Harmon, Hines, Hollis, Horger, Hydrick, Jackson, Mobley, Lee, Leland, Moseley, Nesbitt, Niver, Nunnery, Roessler, D C. Sanders, Sanders, B A Shuler, C. T. Shuler, Singleton, M L Smith, Spears, Stanley, Stubbs, Ulsy, Vaughan, Wiggins, Williams, O. D A Wilson, W. B Wilson, Jr., Wyche.

For Sheppard.

Senators Appelt, Bates, Black, Croft, Crosson, Forrest, Graydon, Griffin, Hardin, McKeithan, Rainsford, Sullivan, Spivey, Waller, Weston, Williams.

Representatives Ayer, Bodie, Bowers, Brice, Boyd, F. M Bryan, Carrigan, Coker, Daniel, Dingle, Gerris, Hughes, Irby, Kibler, Lengnick, McColl, McMahan, Nicholson, Patterson, Richards, Ridgell, G M Riley, W. L Riley, Robertson, Sawyer, Seibels, Simkins, Suydam, Wade, Way, Wells, O. D. A. Wilson, Wright.

SECOND BALLOT.

On the second ballot the changes were:

Mr. Griffin changed from Sheppard to Hydrick, Mr. J. P. Gibson went from Cothran to Hydrick, Mr. Sawyer changed from Sheppard to Hydrick. Mr. C. A Smith went from Cothran to Sheppard, Mr. Robertson changed from Sheppard to Hydrick; Mr. Speare

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went to Cothran from Hydrick. Mr. Way changed from Sheppard to Hydrick.

THIRD BALLOT.

On the third ballot Senator Sullivan changed from Sheppard to Cothran. Mr. Ayer went from Sheppard to Hydrick. Mr Carwile changed from Hydrick to Cothran. Mr. Graham changed from Cothran to Hydrick, Mr. Robertson went back to Sheppard, Mr. Spears returned to Hydrick. Mr. Utsey changed from Hydrick to Cothran.

FOURTH BALLOT.

On the fourth ballot last night the changes were.

Senator Otts changed to Hydrick from Cothran, Mr. Johnstone changed from Cothran to Sheppard; Senator Kelley voted for Cothran, Senator Sullivan went from Cothran to Sheppard; Mr Williams changed from Sheppard to Hydrick; Mr Duval changed from Cothran to Sheppard, Mr. Gasque from Cothran to Hydrick; Mr. Irby went from Sheppard to Hydrick; Mr. Lane went from Cothran to Hydrick; Mr. Lawson went from Hydrick to Sheppard, Mr Paulling went from Cothran to Hydrick; Mr. Richards went to Sheppard from Hydrick, Mr. C. A. Smith voted for Mr. Hydrick; Mr. Utsey changed from Cothran to Sheppard; Mr. O. D. A. Wilson changed from Sheppard to Hydrick

THE ELECTING BALLOT.

The following was the final ballot cast:

For Hydrick.

Senators Bass, Bates, Carlisle, Carpenter, Clifton, Crosson, Earle, Forrest, Griffin, Harvey, Hough, Johnson, Kelley, Laney, Lide, McCown, Otts, Rainsford Rogers, Smith, Spivey, Stewart, Summers, Townsend, Walker, Waller, Weston, Williams, Wharton.

Representatives Amick Ayer, Bodie, Bowman, Brice, Brown, F. M. Bryan, W. D. Bryan, Bunch, Cantrell, Carter, Coker, Dick, Dingle, Dixon, I. Edwards, Foster, Fultz, Garris, Gasque, J. P. Gibson, W. J. Gibson, Glasscock, Graham, Green, Hall, Harmon, Hines, Hollis, Horger, Hughes, Hydrick, Irby, Jackson, Kibler, Lawson, Lee, Leland, Lengnick, McColl, McEachern, McMahan, Mobley, Moseley, Nesbitt, Niver, Nunnary, Paulling, Richards, Ridgell, W. L. Riley, Robertson, Roessler, D. C. Sanders, O. K. Sanders, Sawyer, Seibels, Shuler, Shuler, Singleton, C. A. Smith, M. L. Smith, Spears, Stanley, Stubbs, J. D. Sullivan, Suydam, Way, Wiggins, Williams, O. D. A. Wilson, W. B. Wilson, Wright, Wyche.

For Cothran.

Senators Appelt, Black, Christensen, Croft, Graydon, Hardin, Johnstone, Mauldin, McKeithan, Montgomery, Muckenfuss, Sinkler, Sullivan.

Representatives Whaley, Ashley, Berg, Bowers, Boyd, Browning, Carey, Carrigan, Carwile, Celey, Clary, Cosgrove, Daniel, Dear, Duvall, E. C. Edwards, Fraser, Greer, Griffin, Hamer, Harris, Harrison, Harrison, Lane, League, Mann, Mars, Mauldin, Nicholson, Patterson, Rucker, Scarborough, Simkins, K. P. Smith, P. P. Sullivan, Tobias, Todd, Utsey, Vander Horst, Wade, Wells, Whatley, Wingo.

DANIEL EDWARD HYDRICK

Sketch of the Newly Elected Associate Justice Who Succeeds Ira B. Jones, Resigned.

The following sketch from "South Carolina Bench and Bar," by Col. U. R. Brooks, will be of interest to Judge Hydrick's many friends.

Judge Daniel Edward Hydrick.

"Daniel Edward Hydrick was the youngest son of Maj. Jacob H. Hydrick and Margaret Hildebrand, a daughter of Jacob Hildebrand. His father was a man of marked character, noted for his honesty and tenacity of purpose. His mother was possessed of more than ordinary intellectual attainments and devoted herself to the education and moral training of her children. To her influence and training and to the impression derived from her high ideals of life and character, more than anything else, does the subject of this sketch attribute what measure of success he has achieved.

"Mr. Hydrick was born in Orangeburg county, South Carolina, August 6, 1860. His early life was spent on his father's farm, where he did such work as every farmer's son is accustomed to do. He attended the neighboring schools, which at that time were very poor. The terms were irregular, lasting sometimes not more than six or eight weeks in the year. But, being determined to obtain a collegiate education, he made the most of the limited opportunities afforded by these schools. He also attended the Columbia Male academy a few months, under Capt. (afterwards Gov.) Hugh S. Thompson.

"At the age of 16 he entered the preparatory department of Wofford college. In the early spring of the next year he was called home on account of the last illness of his mother, who died in June following. In the meantime he pursued his studies at home without the aid of an instructor, and returned to the college the next fall and entered the freshman class. He went through the junior class at Wofford, and was at the end of his junior year awarded the medal offered by the alumni association for the highest proficiency in general scholarship.

"The next year he went to Vanderbilt university and pursued a classical and literary course of study. At the end of his first year at the university he was given a scholarship for proficiency in Greek. He was graduated with honor in 1882, and was offered a postgraduate fellowship in the department of English language and literature. This was declined, and in the summer of the same year he was elected principal of the Darlington Male academy, where he taught three years.

"On October 24, 1882, he was married to Rosa, the eldest daughter of Maj. John A. Lee of Spartanburg. They have four children—two daughters and two sons.

"Mr. Hydrick was admitted to the bar at the spring term, 1886, of the supreme court, and began the practice of law at Spartanburg. In the fall of 1887 he was invited to a copartnership with Capt. John W. Carlisle, with whom he practiced about eight years. In 1895 he formed a copartnership with Hon. Stanyarne Wilson. This association lasted until January, 1900, when it was dissolved on account of both members of the firm being in public life—Mr. Wilson in congress and Mr. Hydrick in the State legislature.

"Mr. Hydrick was elected to the house of representatives in 1897 to fill an unexpired term, and was reelected in 1898 for a full term. He was elected senator for Spartanburg county in 1900, and was reelected in 1904. At the next session of the legislature, in January, 1906, he was elected judge of the Seventh circuit.

"His regular term as circuit judge did not begin until December 16, 1905; but on account of the sickness of the judge who had been assigned to hold the fall term of the courts of the First circuit, he was appointed and commissioned as special judge to hold said courts. The first court of the circuit was at Orangeburg, and so Mr. Hydrick had the peculiar pleasure of beginning his judicial career in the county of his birth.

"Judge Hydrick is able and full of energy—a good lawyer and an impartial judge."

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

Heavy snow fell in the Lake regions and New England and heavy rain in California. Generally clear weather prevails over the Southern States and the central valleys. Moderately high winds continued on the Virginia coast. A storm is entering the country on the middle California coast. Elsewhere the weather conditions are settled and favorable for fair weather with but slight temperature changes. Below zero temperatures continue in the Missouri and upper Mississippi valleys. The general conditions favor fair tonight and Friday and slightly warmer Friday in Columbia and vicinity.

The rivers will reach flood stage and fall quickly tomorrow.

Columbia Observations.

Highest temperature	58
Lowest temperature	34
Mean temperature	46
Normal temperature	47
Accumulated depart. since Jan. 1	-154
Highest max. this date (1898)	73
Highest this date last year	61
Lowest min. this date (1904)	22
Lowest this date last year	34
Total precipt. since Jan. 1	3.84
Precipt depart from normal	—1.53
Max wind veloci and direction	20-W
River stage at Blairs, 6 p. m.	8.6

	8 A. M.	8 P. M.
Temperature, degrees	34	50
Humidity per cent	57	32
Wind direction, from	W	W
Wind velocity miles	8	5
Precipitation, inches	.00	00
State of weather	Clear	Clear.

Sun rises today at ....7:13 a. m.
Sun sets today at ....6:04 p. m.
75th meridian time at Columbia.

RIVER BULLETIN.
U. S. Department of Agriculture Weather Bureau
River stages in South Carolina at 8 a. m. Feb. 11, 1909.

Stations.	Date.	Flood stage.	Height.	Change feet.	Rainfall
Augusta	11	32	27.8	r 1.5	0.00
Blairs	11	11	9.2	r 4.0	0.00
Catawba	11	11	6.8	r 1.8	0.00
Chappels	11	14	15.7	r 2.7	0.00
Cheraw	11	27	15.7	r 16.6	0.00
Columbia	11	15	11.6	r 5.3	0.00
Conway	10	7	2.8	r 1.3	1.10
Effingham	10	12	4.4	0.0	0.90
Pelzer	11	7	6.0	f 1.4	0.00
Kinini	10	12	10.6	r 0.1	0.00

J. W. BAUER, Section Director.

SEASE TO SEEK JUDGESHIP

State That Solicitor Will Run for Circuit Bench—Capt. Nicholls May Run for Solicitor.

Special to The State.

Spartanburg, Feb. 11.—Following the announcement of the election of Judge Hydrick to the supreme bench it was stated here tonight that Solicitor T. S. Sease of this district will be a candidate for circuit judge, succeeding Judge Hydrick. In case of Solicitor Sease's election it is said that Capt. S. J. Nicholls of this city will be a candidate for appointment as solicitor, to fill out the unexpired term of Mr. Sease.

Daily Horoscope.

"The Stars Incline But Do Not Compel."

Friday, February 12, 1909.

Seek now the friends of olden time,
And set thine thoughts on things sublime.

The 43rd day of the year. Mars is in the descending node. Moon's age 21 days. Neptune souths. The moon is in sextile with Uranus and in benefic aspect.

Be cautious in dealing with superiors.

The signs are good for preserving or for anything connected with fish.

The day's influences are strongly exerted in favor of the spiritual side of life.

Good signs look on the ethical emotions. Visit old friends. Give counsel and aid to the distressed. Write to relatives.

Undertakings different from the ordinary routine of daily life are under favoring auspices.

A good day to deal with students and workers in uncommon fields. Consult men versed in mathematics, astronomy, metaphysics, history and art.

Women with this birthdate are under a sign that will be most beneficial to them if they will strive to overcome restlessness and anxiety.

Men with this birthdate should avoid fault-finding or harsh criticism during the twelvemonth. Those in employment will gain through one whom they help.

Children born under today's signs should be determined and fortunate. Girls must learn to keep promises and engagements strictly. Boys must be guarded against relentlessness and overbearing actions.

ARGUMENT IN KANAWAH CASE

Judge McCullough, Special Master, Hears Counsel in Receivership Matter at Greenville.

Special to The State.

Greenville, Feb. 11.—Judge Jos. A. McCullough yesterday afternoon heard the arguments of counsel in the Kanawah Lumber corporation matter, but will not make known his decision for some days yet.

The arguments yesterday completed all the preliminary steps necessary to a final decision in this noted case, which began some months ago in the United States circuit court by a voluntary agreement of all parties interested to place the lumber concern in the hands of three receivers, and which has now assumed the shape of a fight on the receivers themselves.

Messrs. J. C. Causey, Jr., Jno. H. Howald and Frank B. Witherbee were appointed receivers of this estate, which is located near Conway, some months ago. They were agreed upon by the creditors and stockholders and went into office with the support of all parties concerned. At least six months ago a petition was presented to Judge Pritchard, asking that the receivers be removed from office, the petition alleging that the estate was deteriorating in value by reason of the management of the receivers. Messrs. Causey, Howald and Witherbee resisted the petition, and as a result a number of references were held by Judge McCullough, who was appointed special master by Judge Pritchard to investigate and report his findings of law and fact upon the allegations of the petition.

Willcox & Willcox of Florence represented the receivers, and yesterday contended that the evidence had not developed facts sufficient to demand the removal of the receivers. They also contended that the receivers had a right as a matter of law to continue the management of the estate, in view of the fact that no wrongful acts had been traced to them.

Meares & Ruark of Wilmington, George Rountree, Esq., of Wilmington and Hon. R. B. Scarborough argued on behalf of the petitioners and contended that the receivers should be removed and the estate wound up.

A number of very intricate and technical questions of law have been argued before Judge McCullough, and the decision is awaited with great interest. It is probable, however, that Mr McCullough's report will not be made public until it is presented to Judge Pritchard, who will issue a final decree upon his report. It is a foregone conclusion that there will be an appeal to the United States supreme court, no matter which way the matter is decided. The estate is valued at about $500,000.

Princeton to Meet Virginia.

Princeton, N. J., Feb. 11.—The baseball schedule for Princeton university was announced today, including, April 9, University of Virginia at Charlottesville, Va., May 4, University of Virginia at Princeton.

SOVEREIGN LOWE IS FOUND GUILTY

Aiken Man Convicted of Murdering His Wife.

RECOMMENDATION TO MERCY

Jury Saves Accused's Neck—Defendant Will Get Life Sentence—Not Affected by Verdict.

Special to The State.

Aiken, Feb. 11.—The jury in the case against Sovereign Lowe, charged with the murder of his wife, Mrs. Rainey Lowe, rendered a verdict of guilty this afternoon, after having the case under consideration for less than two hours. The verdict carries with it a recommendation to the mercy of the court, and this will save the prisoner's neck. Lowe has not yet been sentenced, but he will receive a life sentence.

The case was given to the jury this afternoon after about two days and several hours had been consumed in the trial of the case.

A very large crowd was in the court room when the verdict was read. The spectators have evinced the keenest interest in the case throughout the trial.

Four addresses were made to the jury in the summing up by the attorneys. Messrs. Smoak and Croft, appointed attorneys for Lowe, each spoke, Messrs. Byrnes and Toole speaking for the prosecution.

It is said that the verdict of guilty with recommendation to mercy was a compromise, but it has not been learned yet how the jury stood. Very few people following the case expected a verdict of guilty, carrying a death sentence.

The verdict is generally satisfactory.

The defendant sat composed during the trial and the verdict did not greatly affect him.

OF MILL OPERATIVES.

Mr. T. W. Law Writes of This Class as One Who Knows It.

To the Editor of The State:

I have read with considerable interest the card of your correspondent, Mr. B. P. Carey, regarding an amendment to the law regulating the hours of labor in cotton mills.

The 10-hour labor law may be a good one from a humane point of view—my recollection is that the manufacturers themselves did not oppose very strenuously this law nor the law limiting the age at which children may work in the mills.

It is all right for Mr. Carey and all others to manifest an interest in the cotton mill help of this State, but why should they limit their efforts to shortening the hours of labor for this class alone? The hours of labor for poor men, women and children in other trades are long and tedious and they are more underpaid than the cotton mill help.

Mr. Carey laments the fact that so much was accomplished for the mill owners with a little amendment and not a voice raised in behalf of the poor illiterate operatives. Let Mr. Carey and all others interested use their influence for the enactment of a compulsory education law, which has been asked for by the mill owners. In the case of the mill operatives the enforcement of such a law could be placed in no better hands than the mill managers. They have in a great many cases provided at no cost to the operatives splendid schools; now let the legislature pass this law and strengthen their hands in the effort to place in these schools those children whose parents will not take advantage of the educational facilities provided.

In the year 1896 I entered the Spartan mills at Spartanburg, as an ordinary mill hand, it being my desire and expectation to learn the practical working of the mill with a view to making it my life's work. Acting upon the advice of the late Capt. J. H. Montgomery, who was at that time president of this mill, I secured board in the factory village with other factory help, he telling me that I would be able to learn a great deal from talking to the other help about their work, and I found this to be true. It was really surprising with what degree of intelligence these poor illiterate half-paid operatives could discuss their work. I not only learned a great deal from them about the practical work in the cotton mill, but was enabled to study the help at first hand in their own homes, and must say that while the conditions under which they lived and worked were not ideal in every respect still they were, as a whole, a well satisfied lot of people, had a thorough understanding of their wants and needs, were subscribers for newspapers and trade journals and kept themselves pretty well informed as to those things that would tend to advance them in their life work.

They were ambitious to rise above a common laborer; to get to be a section hand was the goal of the operative; to be a second hand or room overseer the ambition of the section hand and the room overseer knew that if he made good in that position he could go higher.

Of course some of them were uneducated but no greater per cent. than will be found in many other walks of life.

I do know that they resent being set aside as a class deserving of special pity, and are well able to take care of themselves, and work out their own salvation by personal effort and with the sympathetic assistance of the managers.

There was a very thorough and sympathetic understanding between the management and their help, and during the whole time that I lived with them I never heard any harsh thing said by the help directed to the managers, but, on the other hand, they knew that they were being watched by the managers and that good and faithful work on their part would be rewarded.

Your correspondent asked how they can come to Columbia and protest, saying that they can not afford to spend their small earnings riding on trains. I will say that the only malcontents I saw in my factory experience were a class that did spend the most of their small earnings riding on the railroads from one factory town to another looking for snaps.

I made special inquiry to ascertain how they felt about the law limiting them to 60 hours per week. Those who were paid by the day thought it was all right; those who were paid by piece work seemed to think it would work a hardship on them; the section hands and second hands and overseers were almost as a whole in favor of letting the law stand at 66 hours per week, and in every case they were former operatives who had been promoted as a reward for work well done.

I am not writing for the sake of taking any one to task who may hold other ideas or views on the matter, but simply to give the benefit of the impression made upon one who has actually lived and worked with mill operatives and sympathizes with them in their desire to be treated as other citizens are and not as a peculiar class deserving of special pity.

T. W. Law.

Bishopville, February 11, 1909.

Sen. Smith's Secretary.

Lexington Dispatch.

United States Senator E. D. Smith has appointed Mr. C. M. Galloway, the brilliant news and telegraph editor of The State, as his private secretary. Mr. Galloway has all the qualifications for the position and Mr. Smith could not have found a more suitable man for his secretary. While we rejoice in Mr. Galloway's success, we regret to lose him from the fraternity. He has been one of the prime factors in making The State what it is today—one of the best dailies in the country.

Aiken Journal and Review.

Senator-elect Smith has appointed Mr. C. M. Galloway of The State as his private secretary. This, the first act of Mr. Smith, is a good one, as Mr. Galloway is one of the brightest young men in the State. When the senator gets very busy with his senatorial work, and is in need of a good speech, we are sure that Mr. Galloway will be able to improve on his own productions.

Fort Mill Times.

Senator E. D. Smith has shown rare good judgment in the selection of his private secretary. Mr. C. M. Galloway, the young Columbia newspaper man who has just been given the appointment, is certain to fill the place most acceptably. Mr. Galloway has been the news editor of The State for several years and much of the excellence of that paper is due to his good work. Mr. Galloway is a strict party man, and last year, in conjunction with a former editor of this paper, Mr. W. R. Bradford, rendered valuable service to the Democracy in the collection of the campaign fund for Mr. Bryan.

"VALLE CRUCIS."

Col. Manning Writes on the Home of the Hamptons and Prestons.

To the Editor of The State:

Permit me to correct an article which appeared in your issue of yesterday, so far as it bears upon "Valle Crucis," the vale of the cross, really a beautiful name. It comes directly within my province to tell a little of that old house, for of the family to which it belonged I am the sole survivor of that generation.

In these days Northern tourists are ever anxious to learn something of the old Columbia, and as accident or a mere chance throws me sometimes in their path, when I meet them it is a pleasure to point out locations of interest bearing upon that glorious past when South Carolina figured to far better advantage abroad and at home than she does today, as things have turned out.

The house in question, situated three miles from the city, was built and owned by Judge Butler, a name honored and beloved by Carolinians, a splendid citizen, a brilliant lawyer, a true gentleman. It passed later into the hands of Gen John S. Preston and by him was used as a summer retreat for his family and for the children of the late Gov. John Lawrence Manning. Around the old manse clustered the most charming recollections. It was a refuge for every wayfarer from the brewing storm or the inordinate heat of our Southern July and August sun. The doors of that old place stood open to every traveler passing over the Garner's Ferry road, and to every guest who deigned to enter there.

The time came when the Preston and Manning children were carried abroad to be educated. The old place was then transferred to the Hon. William Campbell Preston, a brother of Gen. John S. Preston, a direct descendant of Patrick Henry, president of the South Carolina college, statesman, lawyer and orator, the friend of Webster, Clay and Calhoun, one of the giants of that era when brain counted far more than money.

Just prior to the breaking out of hostilities between the North and South, William C. Preston passed away. His resting place is in Trinity churchyard, by the side of those he loved and who loved him. The "summer home" at his death was sold to Col. Keitt and the house occupied by his family, when in turn it passed into the hands of the Catholic church, and in time became the "convent" and by them the name of "Valle Crucis" was bestowed by the gentle sisterhood who lived and moved only to do good. William Campbell Preston died in the old mansion on Blanding street, the residence of Mrs. Mary Hampton, widow of Maj. Gen. Wade Hampton, U. S. A. A terrible storm raged the afternoon of his death and when at its height his soul passed into the great beyond and the great storm, which he had so often predicted, passed over the South, and his kinsmen fell in action upon the soil of his native State, Virginia, in the cause of liberty.

Within a few hundred yards of "Valle Crucis" stands an open field, where, in April and May, 1861, Col. Wade Hampton welcomed the incoming companies which were to form later the celebrated "Hampton Legion," a command which, from its inception, became famous in the annals of Confederate history, for it furnished before the end of the war lieutenant generals, major generals and brigadiers galore.

When, on February 17, 1865, Gen. William Tecumseh Sherman entered Columbia with his army, the city at a signal was fired and destroyed by him. Among those who suffered at his hands were the sisters and the inmates of the convent. The mother superior, Madame Lynch, a noble lady, approached Gen. Sherman and begged to be assigned a refuge and the "Hampton house" on Blanding street, at her request, was allowed her, and thus it happened that, through the instrumentality of this gentle woman the home of the Prestons was saved, though ordered burned by Sherman.

The war ended, Madame Lynch turned the homestead over to Gen. Preston, the summer home became the "convent," the house on Blanding street was sold first to the notorious Franklin J. Moses, then to Mr. Dodge of New York, and by him to the Catholics, until finally it passed into the hands of the Presbyterian church, and today as "the College for Women" it is known, and well known, as one of the most flourishing institutions north or south of the Potomac, and even beyond the boundaries of our own country. Wade Hampton Manning.

Columbia, February 9.

ON MR. BRICE'S BILL.

Mr. B. P. Carey Thinks Explanation of Its Purpose Sufficient.

To the Editor of The State:

I thank you for the publication of my letter in Monday's issue inquiring as to the bill of Mr. Brice limiting the hours of employment in cotton and woolen mills. I also wish to express my thanks to Mr. Brice for his explanation of same in today's issue. I am particularly pleased to see that his attitude as expressed is friendly to the mill operatives and that the legislation he seeks is remedial and beneficial to their interests. The title of the bill is such as to mislead and make one apprehensive who is not acquainted with its full context. I have never seen the bill in its entirety published in any of the papers. As it is, the publication of the inquiry and reply in your valuable columns has afforded the people of the State a better knowledge of the objects of the measure and demonstrates convincingly the effectiveness of a newspaper as one of the best means of enlightening the public as to what is happening. Bernard P. Carey.

Charleston, February 9.

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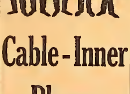

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Stockholders' Meeting.

A stockholders' meeting of the Charleston Lumber Co. will be held at Columbia, S. C., on the 15th day of March, 1909, noon, for the purpose of voting a decrease of the capital stock to $500.

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NEWS OF THE DAY IN ELECTRIC CITY

Damages of $341 Against the Western Union.

CONTRACT FOR A. R. P. CHURCH

Dr. J. G. Duckworth Very Ill—Mr. R. P. Brock Dead—Other Matters of Interest.

Special to The State.

Anderson, Feb. 11.—In the mental anguish suit of W. J. T. Robinson vs. the Western Union Telegraph company, heard in the common pleas court here, a verdict of $341 for the plaintiff was returned this morning. Mr. Robinson asked for damages to amount of $1,000 for delay in delivery of a telegram sent to him from Greenville last March announcing the death of his father. The attorneys for the defendant company have given notice of a motion for a new trial. Very little is being accomplished by the present session of this court. All of the jurors have been dismissed until tomorrow morning in order that the court might take up equity causes, and because several of the cases set for today have been compromised.

The Associate Reformed Presbyterians of Anderson have let a contract for a new church building to be erected at the corner of McDuffie and Society streets, to cost approximately $5,000. This church was organized in Anderson four years ago with 35 members. The Rev. C. M. Boyd came here as pastor three years ago, and during his pastorate the membership has increased to more than 100. The new building will replace the frame building now being used by the congregation, and ground will be broken during the present week. The contract has been awarded to Architect J. H. Casey.

Dr. J. G. Duckworth, an eminent and much beloved physician of Anderson county, is critically ill at his home 10 miles north of this city, he having suffered a stroke of paralysis, which has affected his entire body. Dr. Duckworth is about 60 years old, and the attending physicians are entertaining but little hope for even a temporary improvement in his condition. Dr. Duckworth is well known over the State, and has many friends who will be pained to learn of his critical illness.

At a meeting of the directors of the Perpetual Building and Loan association, held yesterday, it was decided to issue a new block of stock, to be known as series No. 3. Two series of stock of this company are already out, and the company has made such a success of the venture and is now in such a good condition that the issuance of the new series was voted.

In honor of Judge S. W. G. Shipp of Florence, now presiding over a session of common pleas court here, Judge George E. Prince of this city and Solicitor Proctor A. Bonham, the Bar association of Anderson entertained at a banquet yesterday evening at the Hotel Chiquola. An elaborate menu was served by Proprietor King, after which many speeches were made.

Solicitor P. A. Bonham of Greenville will entertain the members of the Bar association and several other friends at dinner at his father's home in Greenville on Friday evening in honor of Judge S. W. G. Shipp of Florence.

Mr. O. D. Anderson, a prominent merchant of this city, has awarded a contract to Contractor C. M. Guest to remodel his store room on east Whitner street. A plate glass front will be installed besides other improvements, which will add to the appearance and convenience of the building.

The machinery for the 10-ton ice plant of the Blue Ridge Beverage and Extract company is arriving and will be installed immediately in the building of the company in the yards of the Blue Ridge railway. This plant will be ready to furnish ice in a few weeks.

After a lingering illness, Mr. R. B. Brock, a prominent farmer of the Sandy Springs section of this county, is dead. He was in his 80th year. The deceased was a member of the Lebanon Baptist church, where the funeral services were held yesterday afternoon.

THE RAILROAD RATE BILL

"A Traveling Man" Upholds Action of House in Cutting Fares and Prohibiting Mileage Regulations.

To the Editor of The State:

In your editorial of the 10th instant on the railroad rates and exchange of mileage coupons for tickets, you invite "objectors" to the present system to make a statement, and I sincerely hope that you will give this space in your splendid paper, as you have President Finley's. The State of Virginia is today enjoying a flat 2-cent rate and the highest courts have not decided yet that the rate is a confiscatory one. The W. & A. railroad of Georgia is likewise operating a 2-cent flat rate, and I think entirely satisfactorily. This will also apply to a great many other States that are getting only 2 cents per mile for their passenger rate and I can not see why the railroads in South Carolina can not pay dividends with a 2 1-2-cent rate, where the country is flat and not many rivers, making the grading and bridging comparatively small, and running through the timber belts, that are used almost entirely in the construction of the said railroads. Again, the thickly settled population within this State, I am sure, will compare favorably with any other Southern State, or especially Virginia and Georgia, where they are now operating a 2-cent flat rate, as above stated, satisfactorily.

In reference to the exchange of mileage coupons for tickets, I am sure the 91 representatives, who voted not only for the 2 1-2-cent rate but the expulsion of the mileage coupon exchange nuisance, were thoroughly posted and knew exactly the significance of their vote. Certainly it must have been considered a nuisance when such a vote as above stated is cast against it. These gentlemen doubtless are traveling on mileage books to and from this session of the general assembly and see no plausible reasons for its continuance. Mr. Hardwick, the general passenger agent of the Southern railway, made a statement before the house committee that he had every confidence in all his employes, and I could add here, if necessary, that this confidence is enjoyed for the employes by the traveling public. As you know, the railroads employ now an auditor or ticket taker on the different trains and he comes highly recommended and is placed under heavy bond for the performance of his duties. Why is it that he can not pull the mileage strips from the mileage books to designated points and safely deliver same to the auditing department?

This is an age of progressiveness, an age of automobiles and flying ships, and the saving of time is essential to success, and the mileage book, as I understand it, was intended not only for the rate it affords but for the convenience. Why should you, after buying $20 worth of tickets at one purchase, for this convenience, attempt to board the trains and be ejected because you did not have time to exchange for another ticket? This very often you can not do because you make close connections at many points, and are very often late in arriving at the depots, and according to the contract of the mileage book you are not allowed to ride, although you hold $20 worth of tickets bought in advance.

The system, I claim, is detrimental to the business interest of the railroads as well as the traveling men and public, for quite often the traveling men could solicit business while the train waits, or between close schedules, and when they did this the railroads would haul the freight, but if they are compelled with such short time to go to the depot and exchange for a ticket, this takes away nearly all chances of making a sale, and if you should exchange, according to the rules, 15 minutes before the train is due and find out afterwards that the said train is very late or wrecked, which necessarily changes your plans, you can not recover your strip of mileage unless you write to the officials in Washington and after some days or weeks it is returned to you.

I claim that the present system brings on strife and contention with the citizens of the State, which often results in lawsuits, which we deplore, and it certainly must have been conclusive to the 91 representatives out of 96, who represent the traveling public of the State, that a nuisance existed and voted it out correctly, and I am sure the same logical and reasonable position will appeal to the senators who represent the same people.

A Traveling Man.

Laurens Hero Fund.

To the Editor of The State:

Kindly publish the following contributions to the Laurens hero fund:

Through C. H. Roper, cashier of the Enterprise bank, as follows:

People's bank of Greenville	$5.00
Farmers' and Merchants' bank of Aiken	5.00
Piedmont Savings and Investment company of Greenville	5.00

Through C. W. Tune, cashier of the People's Loan and Exchange bank as follows:

Bank of Charleston	$5.00
Bank of Cherow	5.00
Carolina Savings bank of Charleston	5.00

Through S. E. Boney, as follows:

W. G. Childs of Columbia	$15.00
W. H. Drummond of Lanford	1.00
W. L. Taylor of Laurens	1.00
W. E. Thayer of Laurens	1.00
F. M. Smith of Laurens	1.00
J. H. Wharton of Waterloo	2.50

The name "W. W. White" in my report of a few days ago should have been "W. W. Jones" of Laurens, $5.00.

The above amounts are on deposit in the various banks of the city.

S. E. Boney.

Laurens, February 10, 1909.

ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS.

To the Editor of The State.

The following amounts have been received here since last report:

Bank of Fairfield, Winnsboro	$5.00
Bank of Latta	5.00
People's bank, Ridge Spring	5.00
People's bank, Beaufort	5.00
State Savings bank, Charleston	2.00
Farmers' Bank and Trust company of Sumter	7.00
Bank of Hampton	5.00
Loan and Exchange bank, Hampton	5.00
Bank of Jonesville	5.00
National Loan and Exchange Bank, Columbia	5.00
Bank of Charleston, N. A. B.	5.00
Total	$54.00

Our people watch with interest the daily growth of this fund and we must reach the mark set. I hope all postmasters and cotton mill presidents in the State read Inspector Gregory's letter of a few days ago. Some help from them would be highly appreciated. Calls for aid come to all of us nearly every day, it is true, but this movement, it seems to me, it out of the ordinary—no such set of circumstances may occur again in this generation and if "some friend of the widow and the fatherless" in each community that has not yet contributed would give a few minutes of their time, just long enough to start a list, there are many people who will gladly give. They only wait for some one else to move.

H. K. Aiken.

Laurens, February 11, 1909.

BIG CORNED BEEF CONTRACT.

Chicago Firm to Supply British Army for Three Years.

London, Feb. 10.—A Chicago firm has been awarded a contract to supply the British army with corned beef for a period of three years. The first delivery, between 500,000 and 1,000,000 pounds, will be made next July and further deliveries will be in accordance with the requirements of the army. The meat will be packed in Chicago under the supervision of the British army officers.

Another Magistrate Named.

Special to The State.

Lexington, Feb. 11.—Mr. T. E. Rauch of Ballentine has been appointed magistrate for the Third judicial district of the Dutch Fork. This district has been established through the efforts of Senator Crosson at the present session of the legislature.

There will be two more rural routes established in this county beginning operations on the 1st of April—Lexington No. 6 and Pelion No. 2. These routes have been badly needed for some time and the people residing along the new routes will be greatly elated over the fact that they will have every day mail after the 1st of April.

SOCIALLY CHARMING, TOO

A Well-Developed Figure, Exquisite Bust Proportion, Well Rounded Arms and Neck, Make Homely Women Attractive—Cut This Out.

There was recently published the formula of a famous beauty doctor who became wealthy in the profession of figure culture. Many of our famous actresses and society ladies, it is claimed, owe to her science the charming and exquisite proportion of figure which they enjoy.

So rapid and thorough is the treatment that one can almost "see the flesh grow." One young matron had to prove her identity to her husband after a month's absence, during which time she had used the home treatment. An increase of six inches is not unusual after a month's treatment.

Go to any druggist and get separately two ounces of glycerine, three ounces of rosewater, one ounce tincture cadomene compound (not cardamom) and 5 cents' worth of borax. Mix the glycerine and tincture cadomene, shake and let stand two hours. Then add rosewater and a teaspoonful of borax. Apply morning and night, rubbing until absorbed; then wash with hot water and soap; dry thoroughly. Continue a few weeks and beautiful development rewards the effort.

COTTON PRICES FORCED LOWER

Various Events Have Contributed to Downward Movement.

DECLINE ALWAYS CHECKED

Every Slump This Week Has Brought Out Buying Orders to Act as Automatic Support.

New York, Feb. 11.—Events of one kind or another have forced prices downward, but on every decline the market has encountered buying orders which have acted as a sort of automatic support. These are accounted for largely by reports of dry weather west of the Mississippi. Spinners' takings have been increased and once more visible supplies of all kinds of cotton have begun to decrease more rapidly after a brief lull than a year ago. Some of the dry goods reports, too, have been rather more cheerful.

A sharp falling off in the crop movement is predicted by some in the near future. At the moment, however, large receipts, the lull in the spot demand at the South—though liberal sales have been made at New York—dullness and depression in Liverpool and a very large stock have a more or less clogging, if not depressing, effect on the market. Weather condition east of the Mississippi have latterly been relieved in a measure at least by rains. Heavy liquidation has taken place, and spot interests have been large sellers of May and July. Liverpool, the South and Wall street have sold. But Texas is dry, and the whole South needs rain. A cold, backward spring that might cut down the acreage is one of the existing bugbears.

Heavy selling of March and May and buying of October were the features on Thursday.

BRADSTREET'S REVIEW OF TRADE CONDITIONS

New York, Feb. 11.—Bradstreet's this week says:

"Unsettled, stormy weather has accentuated the quiet prevailing in general trade and the situation as a whole is rather irregular. The first of the spring season buyers' excursions are, however, attracting merchants to the leading markets East and West, and while conservatism characterizes dealing, the feeling is still one of optimism as to the future. Best reports come from the textile trades, particularly cotton and woolen dress goods lines. Some light cottons are sold ahead to October. The metal and coal trades are rather conspicuous for the dullness of demand.

"Reports as to collections are still only about fair."

OUTLOOK IN SUGAR MARKET

New York, Feb. 11.—The sugar market was the scene of a further decline in raws the past week to the 3 1-4-cent rate and freight Cuba level, which had been predicted for some time by the trade. The sentimental effect was quite marked since last year, and the lowest price reached was 2 5-16, and prophets are not lacking, who suggest even 2 cents before the crop movement ends. Yet this contingency is not considered likely, as Europe must decline materially in order to prevent shipments from Cuba to England, which movement refiners here do not want.

MR. JOHN B. STEVENSON DEAD.

Well Known Citizen of Winnsboro Dies Suddenly.

Special to The State.

Winnsboro, Feb. 11.—The whole town was shocked this morning on learning that at about 8 o'clock Mr. John B. Stevenson dropped dead from heart failure. Mr. Stevenson was about 51 years old and was, to all appearances, a robust and healthy man. He complained slightly last evening but arose as usual this morning and went to his market, a short distance from his home. He returned to breakfast, a few minutes before 8 o'clock, ate a normal meal. He arose from the table and walked into his parlor. He had just entered the room when the end came.

Mr. Stevenson was raised in this county, but for some years had resided in Winnsboro, where he owns a nice home and conducted a beef market. He was at one time a member of the State constabulary.

GOOD ROADS ASSOCIATION.

Virginians Form Organization for Better Highways.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 10.—The State good roads convention assembled here today with 400 delegates in attendance and organized a State Good Roads association. The delegates were welcomed by the governor, who pledged his administration to the cause. From all parts of the State there were reports of great interest in the movement.

Malaria Makes Pale Blood.

The Old Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out malaria and builds up the system. For grown people and children, 50c.

HARTSVILLE NEWS OF A DAY

Light Infantry Elects New Commissioned Officers—Building Proceeding at Rapid Rate.

Special to The State.

Hartsville, Feb. 11.—At a recent meeting of the Hartsville Light Infantry, the following new commissioned officers were elected: Captain, L. F. Watford; first lieutenant, W. G. Rhodes; second lieutenant, Richard McInvaille. The non-commissioned officers have not yet been appointed.

Capt. Watford succeeds Capt. Chas. W. Coker, resigned. At the organization of the command, Capt. Coker was in charge and has filled the position of captain continuously since. Hartsville's military company, it is predicted, will continue a power in the community. It has always stood high on the list among the militia companies of the State, and the new captain is possessed of sufficient judgment and military training to insure its continued success.

Mr. J. W. Davis, one of Hartsville's most successful business men, has recently completed two handsome brick stores near the postoffice. One of these stores has been leased by the Lee Drug company and the other by Harrington brothers. This last firm is a new one here. They conduct a fancy grocery store. Both of the Messrs. Harrington are Hartsville citizens and are young men of sterling worth.

D. S. Hammonds, a colored man, who has a reputation for straightforward dealing, and who has for years owned and conducted a market and fruit store on Fifth street, is now erecting a nice brick store, which will be an addition to the town.

Mr. W. H. Bennett and family have recently moved to Hartsville from Lancaster. Mr. Bennett has bought out the Cash Grocery concern, which occupies the store adjoining the Bank of Hartsville, and has assumed control of the management. This family is only one among several who have recently adopted Hartsville as their home.

Mr. W. W. Folsom, a young man who recently conducted a successful farm at Auburn near Hartsville, has purchased a most desirable lot near the passenger depot here on Avenue B, and is preparing to erect a couple of brick stores. The building will be two stories and the second story will probably be used for offices. Mr. Barefoot, who owns an adjoining lot, it is understood, will also erect a nice brick store. Messrs. Reddick and Lewis, dry goods merchants, have recently completed a handsome brick store on Avenue B.

Several stores have recently put down paved cement sidewalks in front of their establishments, which adds very much to the comfort and general appearance of the town.

The new graded school building will in a few days be ready for occupancy. The Hartsville Improvement club will give a house-warming in the school auditorium upon its completion.

A quantity of fertilizer is being hauled from Hartsville to enrich the next season's crop in and around these parts. The Hartsville Oil mill is selling and exchanging for seed tons upon tons of meal.

An enterprise which seems already to be doing a live business was recently organized here. It is the Carolina Roofing and Plumbing company, with Mr. W. B. Crawley as president and manager, and Mr. W. C. Davis as secretary and treasurer. There is a demand here for an active concern of this kind, and the plumbing and roofing company corps of experienced men is kept busy.

One has but to be on the "ground floor" of Hartsville to be convinced of the progress being made here along all lines. A wonderful spirit of unity is strikingly apparent.

Mayor M. S. McKinnon has plans for the development of the town which will be made public at an early date.

WHO IS MR. HARRIS?

"Pure Food" Asks Who Defends Benzoate of Soda.

To the Editor of The State:

Refering to letter of H. L. Harris of New York in today's issue of The State, I think it would be of interest to your readers to find out and tell us who Mr. Harris is and why he is interested in food adulteration.

Pure Food.

Camden, February 10, 1909.

[Our New York correspondent omitted his office address, but it is not a wild guess to surmise that he is acting as the agent for the interests opposed to the pure food law. These interests seem to have representatives in the national house of representatives, too.—Editor The State.]

DELAY IN CALHOUN TRIAL.

Indisposition of Prosecutor Heney Necessitates Temporary Postponement.

San Francisco, Feb. 10.—Francis J. Heney, who is directing the prosecution of Patrick Calhoun, charged with bribery, was confined to his home today by a slight cold. This caused temporary postponement of peremptory challenges, which was to have occurred this afternoon.

All Interested

In buying pianos will find good, reliable uprights from $200 and upward, grands from $600 upward, at the old established Malone's Music House, Columbia, S. C.

PLAN TO ASSIST BLACK REPUBLIC

State Department Working to Help Liberia.

WOULD MAKE INVESTIGATION

Administration Putting Forth Earnest Efforts to Secure Appropriation for Commission of Inquiry.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 11.—Earnest efforts are being made by the administration to secure the appropriation of $20,000 for the expenses of a commission to go to Liberia to make recommendations as to what specific action on the part of the government is desirable that will most aptly render effective relief to that republic under the present critical circumstances. The necessity for this already has been set forth in a letter which President Roosevelt sent to congress three weeks ago, transmitting a report on the subject from Secretary Root. Supplemental to this is a communication received by Representative Edwin Denby of the foreign affairs committee from Assistant Secretary of State O'Laughlin presenting additional reasons why the appropriation for the commission's work should be made.

This letter says that of the 40,000 or 50,000 Liberians, the majority are descendants of American negroes and it is the duty of the United States at least to give the people an opportunity to continue to govern themselves, not only because of the great humanitarian principal involved but because such action, in some slight degree, "will be an atonement for the brutal and horrible practices inseparable from the slave trade, by which Americans at first benefited and which this government subsequently took measures to suppress." Conditions in Liberia are thus set forth: "In connection with the present conditions existing in Liberia, consular reports speak of the magnificent agricultural possibilities of the country. Unfortunately the means of communication are practically nonexistent, there being only five or six cart roads in the entire republic, and horses and mules do not live. The aborigines are not a troublesome people. They are kept in a state of peace and loyalty by gifts, etc., from the government and produce absolutely nothing beyond their own food. For commercial purposes the whole of Liberia may be looked upon as a strip of coast land of varying width as the penetration of rivers assists communication, but rarely exceed 30 or 40 miles. The Liberian people are generally very shiftless, very poor, and constantly pressed in upon by their French and British neighbors. The country is absolutely undeveloped as to its rich hinterland.

"A comparison of Liberia with the British colony of Sierra Leone, founded under exactly the same conditions and having the same character of hinterland, establishes that the territory of the republic is rich in possibilities. It would be unfortunate for American prestige if we were to fail at least to give once more some real assistance to the republic."

The state department is very anxious that the appropriation be made promptly in order that the commission may reach Liberia before the rainy season starts in. The success of Liberia in self-government would, the letter argues, give hope and courage while its failure would bring discouragement to the entire black race. If action be not taken, there is no doubt that Liberia will not be able to maintain itself much longer; and it would seem that the inhabitants ought to have at least another trial, with some direction from men developed in civilization, before being extinguished as a nationality, and placing upon their race the opprobrium of being unfit to govern themselves.

"OUR LEGISLATURE."

Hartsville Messenger Makes a Plea for Compulsory Education.

Hartsville Messenger.

Assembled in Columbia is a body of men sent there from their respective counties for the purpose of amending old laws and enacting new ones which will be of benefit to the whole people. We do not wish to put ourselves up as critics, for if we were there, what would we do? However, an outsider always thinks he knows or sees something which is not apparent to the distinguished gentlemen who have been sent to represent us. We wish that it were possible to accomplish more real work in legislative halls. It is really amusing to observe the dallying and lobbying that is always in progress from the beginning to the close of the sessions, and that there should be such a wide difference of opinion on subjects which are of such supreme importance to the commonwealth at large is a mystery to us. Take the matter of education, for instance. Why it requires such an amount of pro and con discussion as to the advisability of a law requiring parents to send their children to school is difficult to understand. That we should have such a law in South Carolina is as plain as the nose on the face. Illiteracy is a deplorable condition for any people, and good citizenship demands that our children receive a knowledge that will fit them to take on the responsibilities of life. Educated men and women are essential to progress and proper development along social, religious and economic lines. For a child to grow up in ignorance in this age of progress when so much depends on education is a shame on an enlightened citizenship. The compulsory education bill should have been passed in South Carolina long ago. We read with interest the article in Sunday's State, entitled "An Eloquent Plea for Compulsory Law." If there is a member of either house inclined to be skeptical or in doubt as to the wisdom of a law that will compel parents to send their children to school, let him or them read this plea.

Bishop Hoss to be Operated On.

Baltimore, Feb. 11.—Bishop E. E. Hoss of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, who came here yesterday from Nashville for medical treatment, will undergo a surgical operation next week. He was reported today to be resting quite comfortably.

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We, therefore, ask for your business upon our well known plan. It's liberal and fair. Thousands have already accepted after investigation. Why not look for yourself? It will be to your financial advantage to do so.

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JOSEPH R. ALLEN,
Auditor and License Assessor.

February 15th is last day for payment without penalty.

Removal of Offices.

Shand & Shand, Attorneys, and The Columbia Land & Investment Company have moved from the rooms heretofore occupied by them on Main street to the second floor of the office building next west of the court house, No. 1233 Washington street.

The State of South Carolina, County of Richland—In the Court of Common Pleas.

John T. Gaston, Plaintiff, against Matthew Geo. King, the Palmetto National Bank of Columbia, as assignee of Mrs. F. E. Moore, and Mrs. F. E. Moore, Defendant.

COPY SUMMONS.

To the Defendant Above Named:

You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint herein, of which a copy is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your answer to said complaint on the undersigned at his office, Clark Building, Law Range, Columbia, S. C., within twenty days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, plaintiff in this action will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the said complaint.

Dated Jan. 14, A. D. 1909.

JOHN S. VERNER,
Plaintiff's Attorney.

To Matthew Geo. King, the absent defendant above named:

Take notice that the original summons and complaint in the above stated action was filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for Richland County, in the State of South Carolina, on Jan. 14, 1909.

JOHN S. VERNER,
Plaintiff's Attorney.

State of South Carolina, County of Richland—Court of Common Pleas.

Carolina Agency Company, Plaintiff, Against John Y. Garlington, Defendant.

SUMMONS FOR RELIEF.

To the Defendant:

You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, a copy of which is now on file in the office of Clerk of Court for Richland County, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscribers at their office, 1231 Washington Street, Columbia, S. C., within twenty days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service, and if you fail to answer the complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated January 5th, A. D. 1909.

LOGAN & EDMUNDS,
Plaintiff's Attorneys.

To the Defendant John Y. Garlington:

You will please take notice that the complaint in this action was duly filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions on the 8th day of January, A. D. 1909.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1909.

Weather forecast for South Carolina: Fair Friday; Saturday increasing cloudiness; warmer Friday in south portion.

THE STATE'S SERVICE.

Have you heard the newest Taft was elected President?

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The Californians had sense enough not to become Hopponized.

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In time of peace our cry "war with Japan," and make the foul people buy more ships.

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The Retire to Democrats get in the electoral college was much worse than the one we got at the polls.

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We could get off several jokes about the electoral college, but we leave them to our less unfortunate contemporaries.

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Free school books should be, given, and without great red tape process, to the children that can not get books otherwise.

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Atlanta can not abide Shoemaker, says the editor of Atlanta's Constitution. O coal score power the giffie gie us!

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It is reported that Spain is mad because our fleet did not visit one of her ports. Spain should have had her grip on Cuban.

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Lincoln was born and passed away in Kentucky; but we do not regard that Kentucky has indulged vehemently upon Lincoln.

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That $10,000 appropriation for school building for public school children, is a fine reality poor children, that they could, or for the first that grab it!

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That $4,000 to Turkey that Congress ratifiedly gives last year are said to have been forced to pay the country by the Roosevelt panic. This does Mr. Roosevelt well encourage race-suicide.

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Up to the Legislature.

The State Board has made provision for another dormitory building at Winthrop, capable of accommodating 50 more girls; it was expected that the legislature would appropriate the money before the institution, already overcrowded in several departments to their capacities, would be compelled to take care of the young women to be sent there next September. The demand for more dormitory space is urgent, and the money should be forthcoming without waiting for the legislature.

J. Gordon Coogler—but why give his full name? Why not just Coogler, as he is by Milton Bowers? Gordon then, Coogler of Columbia, is an exemplary man of genius, a gander so gross and lusty that he reminds us of oscors. Russia paid out a lot of money for a man like that, book-makeyourself-a-name excellent thing that it is. Coogler's composition was an organmade voyage after golden fleecers, and he has a good deal of genius, or forgot to a man who, despite the greatness of his genius, is generous, is not so well-known or as respected as he should be.

Here's to the man who bows his God, And loves his country too;
Here's to the man who loves his work,
And knows best what to do.

Spring is coming with every hole
Stiff wet with summer's dew
Here's to the man who sees the sun of yil,
Chauncey M. Depew.

What Other Papers Are Saying.

"Children Who Need Not Have Been Philadelphia Record.

The Child Welfare Contest is based by the New York Association of Theatrical Managers, and is a very worthy one, and should be the ambition of Philadelphia. Its importance will be seen from the following facts:

"It is an astonishing fact, one not widely known, that there are more than 1,000 children in all the blind schools of the country who need not have been blind.

"These children have been deemed blind by the authorities, and have been so for their entire lives, their eyes were not properly treated at the time of their birth, and they are blind.

"There is no excuse for such accidents. The law in Illinois, for example, requires the commissioner of health to give to each mother a printed notice of the dangers of ophthalmia neonatorum, or blindness, from infection at birth.

"The disease is known as ophthalmia neonatorum, or blindness of the newborn, or infant ophthalmia. It is an epidemic disease, and is, in the general public, easily preventable if proper precautions are taken. It is the most common cause of infantile blindness, which is, when it exists, almost entirely confined to the poor, and is responsible for one-third of the total number of blind children.

"In the year 1906 there were 16,842 new cases of blindness in the United States, a number amounting to one out of every 39 of the total number of blind persons in the United States.

"Twenty-eight years ago, in Just Prof. Credé of Leipsic, director of the Lying-in Institute, Dresden, in a lecture, announced the important discovery that the eyes of infants could be saved from blindness by a simple drop into each eye of a new-born infant of a solution of nitrate of silver. Sunlight nonsunlum where these eyes are, the disease is almost unknown. Credé's discovery has been in use for twenty-eight years. In 1891, just before the Leipsic Congress, Credé's discovery discovered preventive measures, the Amoeba, which, when the eyes are not cured, cut off 107 times out of 107 times, and, in the year 1891, 107 times out of 107 times, and, in the year 1892, 107 times out of 107 times, and, in the year 1893, 107 times out of 107 times, and, in the year

LOCAL CAMP BALL DOINGS

Elmwood Grounds Are Now Being Put in Order.

THERE MAY BE GRASS DIAMOND

Manager Granville Is Busy Receiving and Answering Letters From Players—White Writes.

By J. L. Anderson.

The work of putting the Elmwood avenue baseball lot in shape for the coming season has been started by plowing up the diamond, which is to be made softer by mixing soft earth with the clay and sand that now make up that part of the playground. Grass seed may be planted and should it turn out all right there will be a grass diamond for the ball boys to play on this summer.

The outfield will be cleaned up and the other needed work on the ball park plant will go forward, and everything made right by the time the spring practice games start up.

Augusta and Chattanooga are to have grass diamonds and the work of getting the diamonds in those cities in order has been going on for several months.

Macon and Columbus are talking grass diamonds and, like Columbia, may have them, though a little late in starting to work.

Granville Busy.

Manager Granville was seen in his office yesterday by the sports writer, who found him busy looking over a batch of letters from managers, ball players and sporting goods people. One of the letters came from Robert M. White, who pitched some ball for Columbia in 1907. "Sir Robert" writes from Davilla, Texas, and says he would like to get back with Columbia.

"You know," says Robert, "what a noted tail-ender we had. I lost ever so many games by just a little bobble somewhere, and then we couldn't make any runs."

Bob is about right with his dope. Nevertheless, there will hardly be anything doing for Bob in the way of a pitching job with Columbia, as Granville has a bunch of the talent lined up, and, then, Robert did not do anything much when he was here in 1907. His record with Columbia and Charleston is 7 won, 18 lost, average 280; batted .088 for 26 games. The manager has under consideration some deals that may or may not go through, therefore what they are he is keeping on the inside of his dope book just at present

Passing of Fisher.

The Augusta Chronicle in speaking of the passing of Newt Fisher, who recently resigned the position of manager of the Augusta baseball club, says:

"It will not be without pangs of keen regret that many Augusta fans, friends of Newt Fisher, will see him pass out of the game probably forever. He was once a star player and when with George Stallings in Detroit several years ago was considered one of the best catchers in the business. He was one of the organizers of the Southern league and it was Charlie Frank and Newt Fisher that started on its road to success after laboring earnestly to organize it, the very successful baseball organization over which Judge Kavanaugh now presides. Fisher owned the Nashville club for four years and during two of them a pennant floated proudly over the baseball park and during the other two years his club was well up in the race. Newt was the star catcher, the brainy bustling leader all the while. He was scrappy, but there is nothing in his make-up that would cause him to resort to mean and unfair tactics to win a game. He ruled his players with firmness, yet they all swore by him and his judgment of a ball player, his knowledge of the fine points of the great national game, his quickness to seize an opportunity to win games by inventing trick plays and his indomitable energy made him one of the best baseball generals in the country.

"George Stallings said of him the other day, 'Fisher's head is chock full of brains and he is one of the best baseball men I ever knew.'

"Fisher, like many other famous players, must be counted in the list of those who used to be. He might manage with his oldtime shrewdness, but he can not play with his old-time speed and although he thought at one time that he could get in condition still he was not able to and informed the local club owners. Newt Fisher has many a true friend and well wisher in Augusta, who hope that prosperity will be his portion henceforth."

CHARLESTON FANS AT WORK

Franchise Owners Hold Meeting and Secure Subscriptions of Several Hundred Dollars.

Special to The State.

Charleston, Feb. 11.—At a meeting of the franchise owners of the Charleston baseball club this afternoon several hundred dollars was subscribed and it was determined to proceed actively with the reorganization of the club, that Charleston may take a good place in the league standing when the season opens and hold it.

The presence of President Wilson Matthews was thought desirable and a telegram was sent to him requesting him to report here. His coming will help to create interest in the sport and facilitate the raising of the $1,500, which is needed to launch the Charleston club. There is no doubt about the ability of the fans to raise the money.

"SHOW AT WALHALLA."

How an Up-Country Reporter Was Badly "Faked."

Keowee Courier.

A number of people who came here from Seneca and Walhalla this morning stated that there had been snow there last night and yesterday afternoon, and that it had reached a depth of an inch or more. The switchman on the Blue Ridge passenger train to Walhalla yesterday afternoon said that the snow was falling so fast and thick that he could hardly find the switch. —Anderson Mail.

It is a time-honored theory that a fisherman can never be relied upon for the truth about his "catch," and consequently nobody gives credence to a "fish story." The switchman referred to by The Mail may be—doubtless is—a fisherman as well as a switchman. At any rate he played The Mail man for a sucker, and the fish bit. As a matter of fact, no snow fell in Walhalla last week except a "spit" for a few seconds. What fell wouldn't have filled an ordinary tumbler to the depth of an inch.

We only mention this, however, in order to put The Mail man on guard against that naughty switchman. He is an unmitigated—in other words, he missed his calling.

'Round the Circuit.

The Macon club has released Walter Levings, the gent who played third base for the Peaches a part of last season and at times put up a farmer's game.

Atlanta Georgian.

M. P. Cornish, secretary of the Savannah club of the South Atlantic league, is in Atlanta on his way from Chattanooga to Macon. He is making the circuit of the league and boosting the new schedule that is proposed for the Sally.

Jacksonville Metropolis.

Another meeting of the South Atlantic moguls will soon be called to assemble at Chattanooga, and from the talk of President Jones there is evident cause for the meeting, notwithstanding the schedule change proposition.

Jacksonville Metropolis.

The new president has found a number of needed amendments to the constitution and by-laws that must be made before certain desired things can be secured. Jones is giving his time and much thought to the success of the Sallie, and he deserves the earnest support of every club owner in the circuit.

Meeting of League.

Team headquarters via Times-Union of Wednesday:

"It is very likely that a called meeting of the South Atlantic league, will be held in Chattanooga on February 20. This was the information given The Times-Union yesterday by Mr. W. A. Jones, president of the South Atlantic league.

"The meeting to be held in Chattanooga will be principally for the discussion of a new schedule, but there will also be other matters of importance that will have to come before the meeting.

"President Jones says that he has thoroughly gone into the schedule as outlined by President Boyer and he finds that it would prove most disastrous to the league as a whole. One or two of the clubs would not suffer, but the majority of them would and that would certainly prove a "killer" to the league. Mr. Jones, who is an experienced railroad man, well understands the situation and no one is in a better position to say how disastrous the present schedule would be than he.

"At the meeting to be held in Chattanooga several other matters will come before the attention of the league. As the constitution stands today it provides but for three umpires. Of course everybody knows that with eight clubs in the circuit it will be necessary to have four indicator handlers this season. However, according to the constitution of the league, President Jones has the authority to employ but three for this season. This matter, of course, will be satisfactorily settled when the league directors meet again.

"Mr. Jenos will shortly move into the office in the West building, which will be league headquarters during the season, at least that will be the headquarters for the president while he is in this city."

The Schedule.

Says the Atlanta Journal:

"They are having a terrible time over that league schedule down in the Sallie territory. Frank Mangum of the Macon Telegraph thinks the schedule, as prepared by former President Boyer, is not the right thing, and has started a fight on it the same as he did against Boyer himself.

"Some of the directors of the league say the schedule is a good one, while others declare it is about as bad as could be. A third contingent does not seem to care very much about it and says almost anything will do.

"The result will most likely be a new schedule framed by Mike Finn, who is a wholesale and retail dealer in schedules. He keeps a large stock on hand, and has a sale every spring. Generally his wares prove to be the real goods."

Jim Fox is said to be threatening to sign up his brother, John, to pitch for Columbus. The tail fellows played together on the Macon club for two seasons, and played good ball too.

Pitcher George Paige, who was sold to the New York Nationals by Charleston last year for a good sum on a make-good proposition, has been released back to Charleston by John McGraw. Paige did not get much of a chance with the Giants and was sent to New Haven in the Connecticut league, where he finished the 1908 season. He pitched good ball for the Sea Gulls in 1907 and part of the season of 1908.

In Jacksonville.

Jacksonville Times-Union.

Col. W. E. Gullett, vice president of the local baseball association, and also local representative for the well-known Hirsch Lumber company, will donate the pennant pole to be used during next season.

The pole, according to Col. Gullett, will be 100 feet in height and during the next two weeks it will be erected in the ball lot. Plans are being arranged for the grand opening, when a "pennant-raising time" will be had. The baseball directors expect to move into their office in the Masonic temple building some time during the present week.

Count Castro is one of the best shortstops that ever cut up on a Southern league diamond. Nothwithstanding that he is an undertaker during his off-season, he is not a quiet fellow on the ball field. On the other hand he is one of the gingery kind, and if he can manage half as well as he can play and coach he should make the Tourists a good man.

Manager Mullaney of the Scouts says that Castro is one of the best fellows that ever stepped into a ball player's uniform, and while Mull regrets to see the passing out of Fisher, he is glad to know that Castro has been given the opportunity to make good as a manager.

Hayes Chandler may not be a member of the Scouts this year, as it is stated that Win Clark has made Chan a good offer and furthermore the dope says Chandler wants to go to Norfolk.

Ray Wolfe, signed by Billy Smith, has been turned over to Chattanooga.

FISHBURNE IN TEXAS.

The State's Checker Editor is Taking in the Sights.

Capt. F. B. Fishburne, checker editor of The State, is now on a visit to Texas and writes the sporting department a post card from San Antonio.

From its contents one is led to believe The State's checker editor is having a good time.

MARDI GRAS.

New Orleans, Pensacola and Mobile. Special Rates via Southern Railway.

Account of the above occasion, the Southern railway will sell round trip tickets to New Orleans, Pensacola and Mobile at greatly reduced rates. Tickets on sale February 17 to 22, with final limit for return March 1, which may be extended to March 13 by depositing tickets and paying fee of $1. Stop-overs allowed at certain points. For full information and schedules apply to any local agent or to S. H. McLean, passenger and ticket agent, 1613 Main street, Columbia, S. C., Phone 99, or to J. C. Lusk, division passenger agent, Charleston, S. C.

Prof. Rettick in his hypnotic act at the Lyric this week.

AT THE THEATRE.

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The play at the theatre last evening was "Nell Gwynne of Old Drury."

The play was very much enjoyed by the audience.

Mr. Gordon Hamilton, as Charles Hart, was most admirable in his part in appearance, bearing and acting he was such a man as would likely win the love of the greatly beloved Nell. He had the smypathy and admiration of his audience throughout the play.

Mr. Earle Higley, in the role of Peppia, displayed all the qualities of a very versatile comedian. He starred in a minor part, which is the most creditable commendation an actor can receive. Throughout the entire week his specialty work has been of a high order, he is very clever in his songs and dances, and always leaves his audience with their faces wreathed in smiles.

The play this evening is "Beware of Men," telling the story of why girls leave home.

Ladies will again be admitted free tonight if seat is secured before 6 p. m. There will be a matinee Saturday.

"Clansman" Monday.

"The Clansman" is the attraction at the theatre Monday evening, being presented by a well balanced company.

Dixie Minstrels.

Tuesday night the attraction is Dixie minstrels.

KILLING IN BARBER SHOP

Barnwell Negro Named Green Shot by C. F. Baker—Slayer Arrested by Coroner.

Special to The State.

Barnwell, Feb. 11.—Julian Greene, a colored barber, was shot to death in his shop here today about 2:30 o'clock. There were no eye-witnesses to the shooting.

C. F. Baker was seen coming from the shop immediately after the shooting and was arrested by Coroner Creech, who happened to be near the scene of the killing. At first Baker denied having shot Green, but acknowledged it after he was placed in the guard house.

Green was shot four times, each ball taking effect. One bullet pierced his left breast in the vicinity of his heart and produced death almost instantaneously.

The cause of the shooting, as brought out at the coroner's inquest by the testimony of a small negro boy, employed as boot black, was that Baker walked in Green's barber shop and found Green eating his dinner. Baker, the boy said, passed him and pinched his ear. Green remonstrated with him and cursed him. Baker cursed him back and walked on through the shop and entered a room in the rear of the shop.

In a few minutes he came back and spoke to Green, asking him if he meant to curse him. Green admitted that he hed and repeated his former oaths. Baker told him he meant no harm and would not stand for the cursing. He then walked on out of the shop and up the street. The boy was then sent out of the shop to cut some wood and in his absence Baker returned and the killing occurred.

Green fell in the door of his shop with an open pocketknife in his hand and a pair of brass knucks in his pocket. The jury rendered a verdict to the effect that Green came to his death from gunshot wounds, the gun being in the hands of C. F. Baker.

STRANG AND DEPALMA.

Will Race at New Orleans During the Mardi Gras.

New Orleans, La.—Lewis Strang, winner of the Savannah, Briarcliff and Lowell road races, will compete in the Mardi Gras Speed carnival to be run under the auspices of the New Orleans Automobile club February 20, 21 and 22. Strang will drive the famous Isotta car which he piloted on each of these road races and in which he has never been defeated. He will meet Ralph DePalma, driver of the famous Flat Cyclone and holder of the world's mile-track record of 51 seconds, in three match races at varying distances and will aslo go through the 24-hour race for the world's championship.

The entry of Strang in the carnival was received this week by Homer George, secretary of the carnival. He will compete in every race for which his cars are eligible, and is confident of showing a few new world's records. He is especially confident of beating the record made at Brighton Beach last fall of 1,117 miles in the 24-hour race, for he has driven over the local course and is familiar with its wide turns and long stretches. He drove some miles in November with a stock car in 58 seconds flat when no particular pains had been made to pack the track for great speed.

With DePalma and Strang competing against Bob Burman and the other stars who will be here, some wonderful record stunts are sure to follow. The Buick company is building Burman a high-speed car and are counting on his lowering some of the records now held by DePalma. There is a great rivalry between these three stars, and they will battle for blood when they meet in the Mardi Gras events. They form but a small percentage of star drivers who are to compete in the races.

The woman's championship is attracting wide attention and a number of the best drivers in America are sure to start for the title. Mrs. Joan Newton Cuneo has already arranged with Fred J. Wagner, the noted starter, who will act as referee at the meet, for her entry. Other prominent women who have been competing in recent races are expected to forward entries within a few days.

UNIVERSITY GROUNDS.

Davis Field Is Now Being Put Into Shape for Baseball.

The South Carolina university ball grounds, known as Davis field, are being put in shape for the spring practice of the Carolina squad, which will be started next Monday.

THE CONGRESSIONAL SUMMARY

Washington, Feb. 11.—A report was made to the senate today from the committee on appropriations on the president's statements concerning the attitude of congress towards appropriations for the support of the secret service. Senator Hemenway, who presented this report, added that the president was not justified in making the statement contained in his message to congress.

Just before adjournment the senate passed the joint resolution in the exact form it was passed by the house, declaring Feb. 12 to be a special legal holiday in honor of the centenary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln.

A bill was passed also repealing the increase in the salary of the secretary of state from $8,000 to $12,000, so as to permit Senator Knox to accept an appointment as secretary of state.

Senator McLaurin made a speech in opposition to the passage of any bill for the reenlistment of the negro soldiers of the Twenty-fifth regiment accused of having "shot up" Brownsville.

The senate at 4:56 p. m. adjourned until Monday.

House.

Washington, Feb. 11.—After having traveled a thorny road for a week the agricultural appropriation bill was passed by the house of representatives today practically as it came from the committee. The debate dragged wearily on for several hours, when the proceedings were enlivened by a brief but spicy tilt between Mr. Macon (Ark.) and Mr. Cook (Col.).

A successful fight, led by Mr. Sabath (Ill.), was made against the bill amending the naturalization laws, which, among other things, increased the naturalization fee from $5 to $10. By an emphatic vote the conference report on the measure was rejected and the bill laid on the table

A tribute to Lincoln by Mr. Boutell (Ill.) closed the day's proceedings, and the house at 5:43 p. m. adjourned.

Laymen's Missionary Movement, Presbyterian Church in the United States, Birmingham, Ala.—Special Round Trip Rates via Southern Railway.

On account of the above occasion, the Southern railway will sell round trip tickets to Birmingham, Ala., at greatly reduced rates. Tickets on sale February 14 and 15. Tickets will be good to leave Birmingham returning not later than midnight of February 20, 1909. The following rates will apply from stations named below: Abbeville $9.40, Allendale $12.20, Anderson $9.40, Barnwell $11.80, Camden $13.60, Chester $12.10, Columbia $12.70, Denmark $11.95, Greenwood $9.85, Lancaster $12.85. For further information apply to any local agent, or to S. H. McLean, Passenger and Ticket Agent, 1513 Main Street, Columbia, S. C., Phone 99. J. C. Lusk, Division Passenger Agent, Charleston, S. C.

Presidential Inauguration, Washington, D. C.—Special Round-trip Rates via Southern Railway.

Account of the above occasion, the Southern Railway will sell round-trip tickets to Washington, D. C., at greatly reduced rates. Tickets on sale February 28 and March 1, 2 and 3, 1909. Tickets will be good to leave Washington returning up to and including but not later than midnight of March 8, 1909, and must be used by continuous passage through to reach original starting point not later than midnight, March 10, 1909, at which time such tickets will expire. The following rates will apply from stations named below:

Abbeville, $15.25; Allendale, $17.15; Anderson, $16.10; Barnwell, $16.85; Camden, $14.05; Chester, $13.60; Columbia, $15.05; Denmark, $18.35; Greenwood, $15.80; Lancaster, $13.75.

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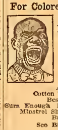

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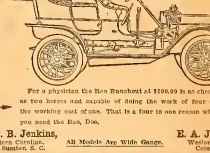

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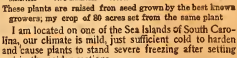

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CALLED THE ROLLS ON FILIBUSTER

Prohibition Resolution Had Hard Time in House.

LIMITED TIME ON DEBATE

Richards Resolution, Allowing Fifteen Minutes to Each Speaker, Permitted to Pass.

After a filibuster by the local option members that called for several aye and nay votes the house yesterday was allowed to pass a resolution offered by Mr Richards limiting debate on the prohibition bill to 15 minutes. The filibuster was well organized and might have continued indefinitely but that it was finally decided to allow the question to come to a direct vote and the resolution was passed.

Mr. Richards stated that he had no desire to throttle the debate on the measure. He believed from the vote given that the majority was with him on the measure and therefore he proposed to insist on its adoption.

A filibuster is always interesting. There are a large number of motions that can be made on any pending question and with 10 members seconding a call for the ayes and nays much time is killed. These were used yesterday with considerable advantage to those opposed to the prohibition bill and finally within a few minutes of the hour for a joint session Mr. Doar rose to a question of personal privilege and addressed the house at length as to his position.

Yesterday afternoon, however, it was decided to allow the amendment to pass and consequently there will be no further filibuster until the direct vote is taken on the motion to kill the bill. Then it is probable that there will be a number of amendments.

Last night Messrs. Mann and W. D. Bryan addressed the house in favor of the prohibition bill and Mr. Williams opposed it. After some discussion it was decided to postpone further discussion until today.

The fight on the prohibition bill started early in the morning. Mr. Dixon argued against a State-wide law. He believed in each county governing itself. Pickens might want prohibition but it had no right to say what Richland should have. One of the principles of this government was religious tolerance. If all had the same religious views it would be all right but it was not right to force other religious views on people who did not agree to prohibition.

There was talk of whiskey killing so many people. So did the railroads. Would you abolish the railroads? It was all a principle of local self-government.

Mr. Ridgell urged the house to pass the bill. If the members of the house remembered their oath that they would legislate for the best interest of the State. Was it to the best interest of the State to legislate for rum? The God-fearing people of the State demanded prohibition. The majority wanted it and it should be passed.

At the conclusion of Mr. Ridgell's remarks Mr. Richards offered a resolution that remarks on the bill be limited to 10 minutes by each member. By an aye and nay vote of 76 to 33 the house refused to table this.

Mr. Garris then moved to indefinitely postpone the resolution. This was defeated by a vote of 72 to 40.

Mr. Doar then moved to amend by making the debate 15 minutes instead of 10 minutes. This was defeated by a vote of 65 to 48.

The previous question was then ordered on the Richards resolution. Mr. Vander Horst moved to reconsider that vote and lay that motion on the table. This was the next move in the filibuster. By a vote of 72 to 41 the house put on the clincher.

Mr. Singleton then moved to take a recess until 12 o'clock. Another roll call was necessary and by a vote of 77 to 45 the motion was lost.

Mr. Sawyer then moved the clincher on this motion and demanded an aye and nay vote.

This was carried by a vote of 71 to 30.

Mr. Richards then rose to a question of personal privilege. He had consulted with a majority of the members of the house and they seemed to want to limit debate. It was not his purpose to try to gag the members. The votes taken showed that the house was with him. He would insist upon his resolution until the votes showed others.

Mr. Sawyer then moved that the house adjourn. The roll call took up the remaining time of the morning session.

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tectives' and lawyers' fees, and by this method the claims had been cut down $212,000.

This would give a saving to the State of $272,000 at an expense of $11,000.

Senator Christensen was not allowed to proceed regularly with his remarks, so often came requests for him to yield for the purpose of questions.

Senator Johnson asked: "Do you think it was fair on the part of the State, even if it was robbed by these concerns, to elect officers to repudiate the action of former officers and to pay a lawyer in the State of Georgia a commission representing a part of the money to be saved by the cutting down by him of these claims?"

Senator Christensen. "I think the action of the winding up commission both just and honorable."

Senator Earle asked if some of the commission had not received pay for a whole day when merely drawing a few checks.

Senator Christensen: "If you think that, why don't you introduce a bill to have these affairs investigated?"

Senator Earle. "I didn't say I knew this to be so, but I asked you the question."

Senator Johnson: "Hasn't an attorney in Columbia been paid $5,000 to go to Richmond and defend the State?"

Senator Christensen replied that the attorney general had been allowed by the general assembly $15,000 with which to prosecute the cases that had been brought. Out of this amount the $5,000, or as much as was necessary, was used to employ an attorney to represent the State at Richmond in the proceedings before the federal courts.

Senator Townsend: "Isn't it a fact that South Carolina was not represented at Richmond because the attorney general had been held by the United States court to be in contempt?"

It was pointed out that Mr. B. L. Abney had represented the State on this occasion.

Wants Information.

Senator Clifton wanted to get some information upon the whole matter.

"How much was paid to lawyers, altogether?" he asked.

Also: "Has any one besides the commission established the saving of $272,000 to the State, except on paper?"

Senator Christensen replied that the fact that some of the firms had come up and accepted the commission's findings as to the amount owed and that others had tried to come up about the time the court stopped the proceedings led him to believe that others would come up and settle upon this basis and the State would actually save the money as stated.

Senator Clifton proposed an amendment, which was lost on an aye and nay vote by 1 to 21, that not more than $5,000, if so much be necessary, should be expended in the winding up of the affairs of the State dispensary as to the leasing or renting of the property.

The bill upon which the senate talked for something like two hours provided in brief as follows:

That if no sale could be made of the dispensary property within 60 days of the passage of the act, authority should be given to rent or lease the property.

The commission is to expend in the repairing of the property not more than $5,000.

Premises to be leased for not longer than three years.

Section 2, which was objected to by several of the senators, provides:

"That each member of the State dispensary commission shall receive, after the first day of January, 1909, $5 per day and actual expenses for such time as may be required for completing and winding up the affairs of the State dispensary and the same shall be paid in the manner heretofore provided by law. The governor is also empowered to fill the vacancies now existing in the commission."

Following is an official account of the money expended for winding up affairs of the dispensary:

Supplies, bottles, corks, cases and other material needed to market goods on hand	$16,321.50
Freight on liquor shipped out	1,953.41
Insurance and other like charges	3,836.52
Salaries paid to bottlers, packers, clerks and others needed to market goods on hand	15,534.95
Expense, which includes total paid to lawyers and special agents in the investigations (about $5,000)	12,992.65
American Audit company	5,900.00
Commissions, expenses, mileage and per diem	2,800.63
Total	$59,359.66

This shows exactly for what the $59,000 was expended by the commission.

PARLIAMENT RULE THROWN TO THE WINDS

Cook and Macon Engage in Sharp Exchange of Near-Personalities Over Agricultural Bill.

Washington, Feb. 11.—Further consideration was given by the house of representatives today to the agricultural bill.

Mr. Bartlett (Ga.) suggested that some provision should be made for the preservation of the 'possum and provoked the house to laughter by reading a humorous dialogue between two negroes who found fault with President-elect Taft's recent 'possum dinner in Atlanta on the ground that 'possum was not a white man's dish.

Every increase was stricken out on objection by Mr. Macon. He believed that the farmers of his State would benefit more by the reduced appropriations than by the expenditures authorized by the amendments. When Mr. Macon made this statement he was interrupted by Mr. Cook (Col.) and a sharp exchange of words followed.

"Have you any farmers in your district?" inquired Mr. Cook.

"More than you have in your whole State," was the quick rejoinder of Mr. Macon.

"I would not imagine so," retorted Mr. Cook, "from the way you have retarded the work of our committee."

The chair admonished both that it was unparliamentary to refer to each other in the second person.

"I want the stenographer to record what has been said," retorted Mr. Macon.

"I stand by what I said," interjected Mr. Cook.

"And so do I stand by what I said, too," Mr. Macon hotly replied.

Without having been materially amended the bill was passed and the house adjourned.

NEW STEAMSHIP COMPANY

Charter Granted Concern Which Intends to Inaugurate Service Between Jacksonville and Cuba.

Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 11.—Gov. Gilchrist today signed the charter of the American & West Indian Steamship company and the line will be inaugurated at an early date, with regular sailings for both freight and passengers between Jacksonville and the port of Cabarien, Cuba. Dr Edwin Sothers, president of the company, has called a meeting to be held here next Tuesday when options on terminals will be closed.

PRESIDENT-ELECT IN NEW ORLEANS

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had on gala dress and as far as a dozen miles below the city the big, muddy stream was alive with tugs and stern wheelers having aboard crowds of shouting citizens. The concert of steam whistles, brass bands and banks lined with saluting enthusiasts added to the scene. A big stern-wheeler, which carried the local reception committee eight miles below the city, with a dozen tugs and passenger steamers, hovered around the sleek cruiser with her war paint, as she slowed down and struck a seven knot pace to keep in company.

From the flying bridge Mr. Taft was kept busy waving his cap and answering salutations, while Mrs. Taft on the quarter deck had her share of the ovation. A big red barge, No. 23, was brought alongside in midstream at the foot of Canal street, over which the party boarded the reception committee's steamer, from which a landing was made.

The parade had been waiting an hour and the distinguished guest was at once placed at its head in a carriage drawn by four horses and the line of march, which covered nearly five miles, was taken up.

After his speech to a gathering of thousands before the city hall, Mr. Taft reviewed the parade from the same place. He was then conveyed to the Hotel Grunewald, where he is to be entertained during his stay in the city.

Several Socialist banners, which were displayed in front of a lodging house in the line of the Taft parade, were ordered down by the local authorities this afternoon just before the arrival of the president-elect. The demand was made on the ground that the inscriptions, "Why should one man hold another man's job?" and "To abolish poverty vote the Socialist ticket," flaunted in the face of Judge Taft would not conform with the hospitable and non-partizan spirit in which it was desired the whole city should receive him. The banners were taken down.

VARIETY OF BAMBERG NEWS

Efforts Making to Complete Fund for Confederate Monument—Methodist Quarterly Conference.

Special to The State.

Bamberg, Feb. 11.—Efforts are now being made to raise the balance necessary to complete the fund for the Confederate monument to be erected on the court house square in this city. The ladies of the Civic association are now in charge of the movement and intend to push it to a final success in the near future. Amounts have been subscribed and some small part has been paid in, all of which make the movement a certainty.

Washington's birthday will be celebrated at the graded school here, the children now being at work during spare moments to get up the programme. A small admission fee will be charged which will go towards buying some little things for the class rooms.

Mr. G. Marshall Moore, formerly editor of The Piedmont of Greenville, and at one time a professor in the Carlisle Fitting school, was here this week. It is understood that Mr Moore has a plan on foot to publish a strictly agricultural newspaper at Clemson College.

Dr. Henry N. Snyder, president of Wofford college, spent Saturday here in the interest of the Carlisle Fitting school. Plans pertaining to the welfare of the school were discussed with the faculty and local board of control. Dr. Snyder left Saturday night for Charleston, where he made an address on Sunday.

Mr. W. H. Dewitt of Blackville was in Bamberg Tuesday. He is planning the organization of another banking institution in his home town. The plans have not been altogether completed, but the stock is being arranged for sale and it is believed that sufficient stock will have been paid in by July for the bank to begin business. Blackville already has one bank and this second will make the field well filled, especially as there are quite a number of such institutions in other Barnwell towns.

Presiding Elder C. B. Smith of the Orangeburg district held the first quarterly conference here at the Methodist church on Sunday. All reports were in hand and showed a splendid beginning in the church work for 1909. Messrs. J. W. Stokes and W. D. Rhoad were elected delegates to the district conference which meets in Denmark some time in May.

Miss Bessie Lee Black has been appointed delegat to the State Interdenominational Sunday School convention, which meets next week in Orangeburg.

Mr. Edward Hawes, Jr., city engineer of Orangeburg, was here Tuesday night for the purpose of looking over the plans for the waterworks system to be installed here at once. He will very likely make a bid on the construction.

The cold snap here about a week ago is said to have done much damage to the oat crop and it is feared that it will be cut very short as far as the winter crop is concerned.

GETS C., C. & O. CONTRACT.

Columbia Firm to Build Part of the Roadbed.

Special to The State.

Spartanburg, Feb. 11.—J. W. Powell & Son of Columbia have been awarded a subcontract by the Asheville Construction company, now engaged in the construction of the Clinchfield, Carolina & Ohio railway within the corporate limits of Spartanburg. The Columbia firm will build that portion of the line that passes through Wofford college campus.

Today they put to work a considerable force of men and mules.

COL. SLOAN'S CONDITION.

No News Was Received Here as to the Operation.

No news was received in the city yesterday as to the condition of Col. John T. Sloan, who is in Philadelphia to undergo a surgical operation. The fact that no news has been received is regarded by Col. Sloan's relatives and friends as good news. Col. Sloan was accompanied to Philadelphia by Mrs. Sloan and Mr. Beverly Sloan.

MIDWINTER RECITAL.

Will be Given at College for Women This Evening at 8:30.

The midwinter recital by the music department of the College for Women will be given this evening at 8.30 o'clock. The art studio will be open to visitors today and after the recital tonight. The work of the art students for the half-year will be exhibited to the public.

The therapeutic value of the electric light having been recognized in the Finsen treatment of certain skin diseases, the lamp emitting the most effective rays is now being sought. Dr. E. Vogel, a German, points out that the ultra-violet rays were formerly credited with special healing powers, but it is now known that their effect is chiefly an etching, with no deep penetration. Blue and violet, now claimed to be the curative rays, kill all bacteria in five minutes and penetrate deeply into the tissues. It is believed that a special lamp concentrating the blue rays will shorten the time of application in the light treatment.

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Give your present employer faithful service, but when you find it is time to make a change read the Want columns of The State and patronize them yourself. The best people in South Carolina watch these advertisements.

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BUSINESS NOTICES.

The Circuit Riders' Sketch Book, a rare and radiant volume, over 200 pages; the blacksmith and college president both enjoy it. Order now, 60 cents postpaid. D. Alston Wilkes, Barnwell, S. C.

Ten weeks' trip to Europe, visiting a dozen countries and their capitals. Party limited to ten members. For particulars address J. C. Patrick, Cheraw, S. C.

No material blessing equal to this. Hear me, please: 500 huckleberry seed, 24 grains corn, 6 grains gourd seed. Now listen. These huckleberries grow either in pots or gardens same as tomatoes and will give you fruit, more than a quart to the stalk six months in the year. This corn is of the most prolific character yielding from eight to ten ears to the stalk. The gourd seed are a guaranty to drive away flies and mosquitoes. They took first premium at the fair. Send me 15c in a sealed envelope and get all these seed. This is your opportunity. Address P. J. Rucker, Columbia, S. C.

Notice—We want to beautify the place of your sacred dead by cleaning the vaults and monuments. Reasonable prices and work guaranteed. American Restoring Co., 1222 Lady St.

Lima Beans—As we find that we are overstocked with lima beans, we offer them at 10 cents a quart. Edwards. Two stores. Phone either.

Shull's Home-made Lard—This lard is as pure as it can be made. Made in Lexington county, open kettle rendered. Price 14 cents a pound. Edwards. Two stores. Phone either.

Join the old reliable City Pressing Club. Satisfaction guaranteed; $1 per month regularly; extra work 50c. per suit. Prompt delivery. Phone 639. Opposite Columbia Hotel.

Wanted—Everybody to know that I pay highest prices for fresh eggs, fry chickens, hens, roosters, turkeys, white peas and sweet potatoes. Write at once and get quotations. Fred Germany, 1900 Standing street.

Cut prices on heating stoves, cook stoves and ranges. Don't ask the price, but come and be convinced for yourself. W. S. Stewart, 1626 Main St.

Highest cash price paid for cotton seed in any quantity, carloads and less. Sacks furnished. Cross Hill Oil Mill, Cross Hill, S. C.

Four-foot wood—Half cord $1.40, cord $2.75. Sawed to order—half cord $1.65; cord $3.25. Special rates in larger quantities. Phone 1977 quick; supply limited. Best wood, full measure. F. C. Bigby.

D. J. Henry, the hatter, will be out of town for two weeks.

Wanted—Grocers to know we have a full supply of salt pickled mullet in 100 pound kegs and dry salted and pickled mullet roe in kegs, 20 dozen to keg, at wholesale. Write us for prices. These pickled mullet are better than mackerel and our roe large and fine. Columbia Fish and Ice Co., Columbia, S. C.

Belting, packing and lacing; wood, iron and steel shafts, pulleys, hangers. Lombard Iron Works, Augusta, Ga.

WANTED—MALE HELP.

Wanted—Male piano player with good voice to sing illustrated songs for moving picture show. Steady job in good live town of 15,000 population. State salary wanted in applying. Answer F, care The State.

Wanted—To communicate with first-class life, health and accident insurance solicitor who has some knowledge of fire insurance and real estate. Reference required. Address Insurance, care The State.

Young men for railway mail service. Examinations in Columbia May 15. Intending applicants should begin preparation at once. Sample questions and "How Government Positions Are Secured" sent free. Inter-State Schools, 898 Iowa Ave., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Laundry representatives can greatly increase their business by our new proposition. Write for particulars. Carolina's largest laundry. Expert dyers, cleaners. Representative wanted every South Carolina town. Attractive, reliable proposition. Star Laundry, Columbia, S. C.

WANTED—FEMALE HELP.

Ladies—Our catalogue explains how we teach hair-dressing, manicuring, facial massage, etc., in few weeks, mailed free. Moler College, Atlanta, Ga.

Wanted—A cook to live in yard. Rent of two-room house free. Must come well recommended. Apply 708 Woodrow St., Shandon.

WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS.

Wanted—Your orders for roofing. We have the best composition roofing made. Price is low considering quality. Shand Builders' Supply Co., Columbia, S. C.

Wanted—Second-hand motor, 60 cycles, 104 to 110 volts, single phase; also good second-hand ice shaver. Answer F, care The State.

Wanted—To borrow $3,000 on good security; one, two or three years terms. Address Box 203, Blackville, S. C.

Wanted—To borrow $6,000 on gilt-edge real estate security; one to three years. Address Box 203, Blackville, S. C.

Wanted—One second-hand Gibbs shingle machine, one second-hand lath machine, in good running order. Write Box 10, R. F. D. 1, Patrick, S. C.

WANTED—SITUATIONS.

Wanted—Position by a registered pharmacist of five years' experience in a small town. Now employed, but desire a change. Best of references. Address Compounder, care The State.

Licensed experienced druggist desires position. Man of good steady habits, industrious and good worker. Four years' practical experience. Familiar with bookkeeping. Any one wanting hustling druggist address Pharmacist, care The State.

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS.

For Sale—Complete, two 70-saw gin outfit with engine and boiler. Munger system. Good condition. Cheap. Address Lock Box 212, Trenton, S. C.

For Sale—One hundred and fifty bushels peas at $1.25 per bushel, f. o. b. Remberts. L. S. Vinson, Remberts, S. C.

For Sale—Good sound clay peas at $1.25 and speckled peas at $1.20 per bushel, f. o. b. Remberts, S. C. Address C. A. Ellerbe, Remberts, S. C.

For Sale—Two hundred bushels clean, sound, mixed peas; $1.25 f. o. b. Eastover, S. C. Address F. H. Auld, Eastover, S. C.

Cabbage plants for sale; reliable varieties, grown in open air; 10,000 for $9. Address The Meggett Plant Co., Meggett, S. C.

A Stearns Visible latest typewriter, tightly used for only three months, cost $100; will sell for $75 on payments. Save $25 by acting at once. Address Stearns Visible, care The State.

For Sale—The best garden and field seeds. We are both wholesalers and retailers. Let us quote prices. Lorick & Lowrance, Inc., Columbia, S. C.

For Sale—One nicely finished phone booth. Well made and finished with good varnish on selected yellow pine. Sound proof. Shand Builders' Supply Co., Columbia, S. C.

Cabbage plants; best known and hardiest varieties. Grown in open air from the very best seed. Prompt delivery and full count guaranteed; one to three thousand at $1.25, five to eight thousand at $1, ten thousand or over at 75c. If you want the best send your orders to D. L. Dukes, St. George, S. C.

TYPEWRITERS.

$70.00 for new machine, manufacturer's price $100. Rebuilts $35 to $60. Second hands at all prices. Write for catalogue. General Supply Company, (Dept. S), Augusta, Ga.

WANTED—BOARDERS.

Board with comfortable furnished rooms; hot and cold baths; table appointments best. Phone 1998. 1600 Marion.

Wanted—Permanent, transient and table boarders; transient $1 day; meals without room $3.50 per week. Will also send out meals. Johnson Boarding House, 1231 Hampton St.

The Hawes boarding house, permanent and transient. Convenient to all street car lines. Good table. Lovely rooms. Light and baths. Phone 1391, 1416 Laurel street.

Wanted—Desirable parties, permanent and transient, to occupy nicely furnished rooms; with or without board. Delightful situation; on car line; all conveniences. Apply at 914 Richland street.

Transient, permanent and table board, two blocks from Main street. Street cars pass the door. 1413 Laurel St. Phone 1344.

Wanted—Permanent, transient and table boarders. Transients $1 per day. Special rates by week. Comfortable rooms with good fireplaces. Call at No. 16 Bartlet street, 2½ blocks from A. C. L. depot, Sumter, S. C. L. W. Ham.

AUTOMOBILES.

For Sale—Almost new 14 horse power Maxwell, complete with top and folding plate glass front, all gas lights. Has not been run 200 miles. Good reason for selling. Box No. 128, Sumter, S. C.

For Sale—Twenty-two horse power, five passenger, detachable tonneau, Silent Northern touring car. In first class condition with good tires. Car is wide gauge and shows excellent power. $695. One Reo runabout in first class condition, $250. Box 99, Sumter, S. C.

Real bargains in second hand cars, runabouts and touring cars. Mr. Prospect, it is up to you to investigate. E. A. Jenkins Motor Co. Phone 1773, Columbia, S. C. 1216 Main.

T. B. Jenkins, general agent for the Reo in eastern Carolina. Twenty-two horse power touring cars, $1,000; 22-h. p. roadsters, with tops, $1,000; 12-h. p. runabouts, $500. Metal bodies and numerous late improvements. Local agents wanted in unoccupied territory. Write today. Sumter, S. C.

MONEY TO LEND.

Money to lend on farming lands in South Carolina, also Columbia real estate. No commissions. Borrower pays actual cost of perfecting loan. E. K. Palmer, Sylvan Building, Phone 1085.

Money to loan on real estate within city limits of Columbia. W. C. Swaffield. Phone 14. 1433 Main street, Columbia, S. C.

LOST AND FOUND.

Lost—On east side State house grounds one set of front false teeth. Finder return same to State office and receive reward.

Lost—Fox Terrier bitch puppy, black and brown, one side of head black, spot over left eye, black spot on rump, one nail missing on right front foot. Return and get reward. W. H. Towles, Gibbes Machinery Co.

Lost—A Daughter of the Confederacy pin. Reward if returned to Girardeau & Marshall's store, 1601 Main street.

HELP FURNISHED.

Hotel Help—We have a night clerk, bookkeeper, stenographer, housekeeper. A few bell boys, porters and waiters. Consult us. The Workman's League, 1217 Washington St.

FOR SALE—EGGS AND POULTRY.

Nine extra good White Rock hens and one choice cockerel for $10. First check gets them. Geo. M. Davis, Clinton, S. C.

WANTED—SALESMEN.

Wanted—A good heavy lightning rod salesman. Will pay salary or commission. Address Box 525, Spartanburg, S. C., stating salary or commission expected.

Wanted—Experienced men's furnishing, hat or dry goods salesman. Columbian preferred. Apply, giving references, to S. S., care The State. Good position for right man.

HELP WANTED—Male or Female.

Wanted—Young man or lady compositor to set straight matter. State wages expected. Answer quick. The County Record, Kingstree, S. C.

FOR SALE—LIVE STOCK AND PETS

For Sale—One excellent family cow; thoroughbred Guernsey, fresh in milk. Apply to 1603 Elmwood Ave.

For Sale—Gentle pony, can be driven by smallest child, not afraid of anything. Fat and healthy, 8 or 9 years old. Address Lock Box No. 43, Bennettsville, S. C.

REAL ESTATE.

For Sale—An attractive home in good neighborhood. Terms easy. Choice of two houses. Apply to the owner at 1522 Lady St.

FOR RENT—ROOMS AND HOUSES.

For Rent—Six-room flat with bath, gas and electric lights. Rooms all large and nice. Pleasant location. Rent reasonable. Apply 1115 Gervais St. Phone 479.

For Rent—A large and commodious house in Elmwood Park, on First avenue (extension Park street), one square from car line. Just completed with all modern improvements. Apply 1603 Elmwood avenue.

WANTED—TEACHERS.

Wanted—A competent teacher for primary work in graded school. Also all successful teachers who desire to improve their condition and college students graduating this year who desire to teach. No charge unless you are placed. Piedmont Teachers' Agency, Gaffney, S. C.

Teachers, let us double your salaries. Can enter profession later. West offers rich advantages. Teachers scarce, salaries high. Address Western Teachers' Association, Oklahoma City, Okla.

WANTED—ROOMS AND HOUSES.

Wanted—A small furnished cottage or three or four furnished rooms in good location. State price. Address E. E. W., care The State.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY.

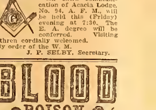
For Sale or Lease—Cherokee News, Gaffney, S. C. For particulars and terms apply to S. F. Parrott, Washington St., Columbia, S. C.

ACACIA LODGE, No. 94, A. F. M.

An extra communication of Acacia Lodge, No. 94, A. F. M., will be held this (Friday) evening at 7:30. The E. A. degree will be conferred. Visiting brethren cordially welcomed.

By order of the W. M.

J. P. SELBY, Secretary.



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NOTICE.

Valuable Lands for Sale.

About 2,000 acres of valuable lands, situate six miles south of Leesville, S. C., and two miles east of Samaria, S. C., station on the Southern railway, including the splendid old home and residence of the late Gen. Paul Quattlebaum, about 500 acres cleared and balance woodland, largely well timbered; water-power once developed, easily restored, developing about 100 horse-power, for sale at a bargain.

Apply to the executors:

C. P. QUATTLEBAUM, Conway, S. C.

F. E. BRODIE, Leesville, S. C.

Notice of Opening of Books of Subscription.

State of South Carolina, County of Greenville.

Take notice that in pursuance of a commission issued to us by the Secretary of State, we, the undersigned, will open books of subscription to the American Home Fire Insurance Company at the office of L. B. Houston, Davenport Building, Greenville, S. C., on February 8th, 1909, at 10 o'clock a. m. Authorized capital stock $300,000. The par value of each share will be $100, and in addition subscribers will be required to pay 50 per share to establish a surplus. Subscriptions to stock and surplus will be payable as follows: 20 per cent. on organization, 13 1-3 per cent. within 60 days thereafter, 33 1-3 per cent. by March 1, 1910, and balance by March 1, 1911.

Ellison A. Smyth, Greenville, S. C.
Lewis W. Parker, Greenville, S. C.
A. A. Bristow, Greenville, S. C.
Henry P. McGee, Greenville, S. C.
J. W. Norwood, Greenville, S. C.
Chas. F. Hard, Greenville, S. C.
J. B. Bruce, Greenville, S. C.
T. B. Stackhouse, Columbia, S. C.
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Leroy Springs, Lancaster, S. C.
Geo. W. Summer, Newberry, S. C.
A. F. McKissick, Greenwood, S. C.

NOTICE.

The following rule of the Board of Health was adopted by council at the regular meeting held February 9th, 1909:

"All wells in the city to be closed where city water is accessible, by filling up or arching over within 30 days after notice from the Board of Health."

Any violation of this rule shall be punished by a fine not exceeding $40 or by imprisonment not exceeding 30 days.

G. F. COOPER, City Clerk.

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Carolina Agency Co. will be held in the office of the company, Room No. 23, Carolina National Bank Building, on Thursday, February 18th, at 12 o'clock M. Business of importance will be considered.

L. W. STANSELL, Secretary.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

DULL STRENGTH IN STOCK MARKET

Echo of Bear Rout on London Exchange.

LETHARGY IN LATE SESSION

Most of Trading Was Done During the Early Part of the Day, Before London Closed.

New York, Feb. 11—The dull strength in today's market was ascribed in large part to foreign influence and was an echo of the rout undergone by the bear element in the speculation on the London stock market. Most of the business was done during the early part of the session, the activity declining after the London business hours had passed. Some part of the buying here was supposed to be prompted by the action of the California legislature in reconsidering and defeating the bill to segregate Japanese children in the public schools, although the discussion of our Japanese relations has lost its influence as a stock market influence for several days past.

Union Pacific moved upwards with its usual strong sympathetic effect in the whole list. The election of a director representing the New York Central in the Chesapeake & Ohio board was made the occasion for the demonstration of strength in that stock. The whole Southern group of railroad stocks was marked up briskly without special explanation.

The stock market sank into lethargy in the late dealings and the day's changes proved trivial in most cases.

Bonds were firm. Total sales, par value, $7,580,000.

United States 2s have declined ¼, the registered 4s ½ and the coupons ½ per cent. on call for the week.

Total sales today 395,600 shares stocks.

STOCKS.

Amalgamated Copper	77½
American Car and Foundry	50½
Do. pfd.	110½
American Cotton Oil	51¼
Amer. Hide and Leath., pfd	41⅞
American Ice Securities	11½
American Linseed	13⅞
American Locomotive	55⅜
Do., pfd.	111
Amer. Smelt. and Rfing.	87⅝
Do., pfd.	104¾
American Sugar Refining	131¾
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BONDS.

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WHEAT MARKET CLOSES AT HEAVY NET GAIN

Chicago, Feb. 11.—Wheat for May delivery sold here today at 1.13 per bushel, the highest price touched since the famous Gates deal in 1905. All of the advance was held and the market was strong at the top at net gains for the day of ½@⅝ to 1⅛. Corn closed easy and oats and provisions steady.

Wheat:				
May	112½	113	112	113
July	101	101¼	100⅝	101¼
Sept.	96½	96⅞	96¼	96¾
Corn:				
May	64⅝	64⅝	64¼	64⅜
July	64⅛	64⅛	63¾	63⅞
Sept.	64⅛	64⅛	63¾	63⅞
Oats:				
May	53½	53½	53⅛	53¼
July	48	48	47⅝	47¾
Sept.	39¾	39⅞	39⅝	39¾
Pork:				
May	16.95	17.05	16.92½	16.97½
July	17.02½	17.18	17.02½	17.07½
Lard:				
May	9.05	9.72½	9.65	9.70
July	9.77½	9.86	9.77½	9.82½
Ribs:				
May	8.87½	8.95	8.85	8.90
July	9.05	9.10	9.05	9.07½

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour firm. No 2 rye 75¾. Feed or mixing barley 62½@63. Fair to choice malting 63@64. Flax seed, No. 1 Southwestern, 1.61. No 1 Northwestern 1.65. Timothy seed 3.75. Clover 9.20. Mess pork per bbl. 16.75@16.87½. Lard per 100 lbs 9.62½. Short ribs, sides (loose) 8.25@8.75. Short clear sides (boxed) 8.75@9.00.

Butter steady. Creameries 22@30. Dairies 21@25. Eggs easy, at mark cases included 28½@31½; firsts 31½; prime firsts 32½. Cheese strong. 14@15½.

BALTIMORE PRODUCE MARKET.

Baltimore, Feb 11.—Wheat firmer; spot contract 1.16¼; Southern on grade 1.12¾@1.16¼.

Corn easier, spot contract 68⅞@69⅛. Southern yellow corn 67@69.

Oats firmer; No. 2 mixed 54½ bid.

Rye firm, No 2 Western domestic 84.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, Feb 11.—Flour firm. Rye flour firm. Buckwheat flour steady. [illegible]

THE DRY GOODS MARKET.

[illegible]

THE MONEY MARKET.

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COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

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NAVAL STORES.

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HUBBARD BROS.' COTTON LETTER.

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Hubbard Bros. & Co.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON MARKET.

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COLUMBIA COTTON MARKET.

(Quotations by L. V. Dibble.) [illegible]

COTTON MARKET WAS SUPPORTED

Nevertheless Continued Nervous and Unsettled.

CLOSE WAS BARELY STEADY

Last Prices Showed Net Decline of 2 to 6 Points—Market Opened Steady and Lower.

New York, Feb. 11.—The cotton market met with quite a good deal of support today, but continued nervous and unsettled, with the close barely steady at a net decline of 2 to 6 points. Sales were estimated at 150,000 bales.

The market opened steady at a decline of 1 to 3 points, with the active months selling 2 to 4 points net lower right after the call, owing to disappointing cables, liquidation and local bear pressure. At the decline to 9 40 for July and 9.27 for October there was active buying, both for the account of some of the large spot houses and through commission houses. These demands checked the downward tendency and during the middle of the day prices sold 1 to 6 points net higher, with late months relatively firm. Buying orders were withdrawn on the advance, however, and later the market again weakened, owing to talk of shipments here from the South for delivery on March contracts, liquidation by early buyers and a renewal of local bear pressure. The close was at very nearly the lowest of the day.

Southern spot markets officially reported early were generally unchanged to ½ lower. The report of the National Ginners' association that 12,814,000 bales had been ginned to February 6, and that no cotton remained to be ginned except in a few counties of Mississippi, Arkansas, Texas and Oklahoma, together with continued dry weather in the Southwest, may have helped the rally at the opening, but did not figure largely on the market. The New York market will be closed tomorrow, reopening for business on Saturday, but Liverpool and New Orleans will be opened tomorrow as usual.

Receipts at the ports today 30,073 bales, against 36,003 last week and 26,169 last year. For the week 190,000 bales, against 251,533 last week and 177,753 last year.

Today's receipts at New Orleans 6,544 bales, against 3,322 last year, and [illegible]

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
February				9.42
March				9.48
April				9.43
May				9.48
June				9.39
July				9.39
August				9.31
September				9.27
October				9.27
November				9.22
December				9.22
January				9.20

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

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January	5.04
February-March	5.03
March-April	5.03
April-May	5.03½
May-June	5.04
June-July	5.05½
July-August	5.05½
August-September	4.99½
September-October	4.95½
October-November	4.93
November-December	4.91
December-January	4.90
January-February	4.80

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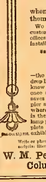

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Ar. Laurens	2.12pm
Lv. Laurens (C. & W. C.)	2.35pm
Ar. Greenville	4.00pm
Lv. Laurens	2.32pm
Ar. Spartanburg	4.05pm
Lv. Spartanburg (So. Ry.)	6.00pm
Ar. Hendersonville	7.45pm
Ar. Asheville	8.50pm
Lv. Laurens (C. & W. C.)	2.32pm
Ar. Greenwood	3.32pm
Ar. McCormick	4.33pm
Ar. Augusta	6.15pm

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Lv. Yorkville	9.00a	2 40p	—
Lv. Gastonia	9.47a	4.30p	6 00a
Lv. Lincolnton	10.42a	—	8 05a
Lv. Newton	11.20a	—	9 50a
Lv. Hickory	12.05p	—	11.00a
Lv. Lenoir	1.22p	—	1.05p
Ar. Mortimor	—	—	4.33p

Southbound.

	No. 9	No. 31	No. 63
Lv. Mortimor	—	—	5.40a
Lv. Lenoir	2.00p	—	7.55a
Lv. Hickory	2.55p	—	1.05a
Lv. Newton	3.25p	—	12 40p
Lv. Lincolnton	4 02p	—	1.45p
Lv. Gastonia	4.55p	8 00a	4.30p
Lv. Yorkville	5 49p	9 30a	—
Ar. Chester	6.35p	11 00a	—

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TO OBSERVE DAY AT HODGENVILLE

Great Celebration Planned at Lincoln's Birth-place.

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President Roosevelt, Luke Wright, Gen. Wilson, Gov. Willson and Bishop Galloway on the Programme.

Hodgenville, Ky., Feb. 11.—The centenary of Abraham Lincoln's birth will be observed generally throughout the United States, but nowhere will the commemoration exercises command more interest than those to be held in this little town on February 12. Two miles from here, on the Lincoln farm, which has been purchased by a national association, formed for the purpose, President Roosevelt will lay the cornerstone of a memorial building, now being erected by popular subscription, to mark Lincoln's birthplace, and to protect for all times the little log cabin in which the martyr president was born.

The centenary address on this occasion will be delivered by President Roosevelt. Gen. Luke E. Wright, the secretary of war, will speak on behalf of the Confederate soldiers. Gen. Grant Wilson will represent the veterans of the Union army and Lincoln's native State will be represented by Gov. Augustus E. Willson of Kentucky. Other addresses will be made by Bishop Galloway of Mississippi and ex-Gov. Joseph W. Folk of Missouri.

Hodgenville, which is near the geographical centre of the State of Kentucky, and not far from the centre of population of the United States, promises to become a new mecca in America and the Lincoln farm a second Mount Vernon. Although Abraham Lincoln had other homes there is a sentiment about his birthplace that does not attach to any of them. He lived here for eight years and before he left knew very much of what Mark Twain calls "the model little farm that raised a man." He went swimming in the nearby creek and by the light from the huge fireplace in the little one-room cabin he learned his first lessons.

It was in 1805 that Thomas Lincoln brought his bride, Nancy Hanks, and established the rude little home that three years later was to welcome into the world the future president. Theirs was the rough life of pioneers, the farm was then as it is now, a sterile piece of land and to make both ends meet the elder Lincoln did odd jobs of carpentry in the vicinity, besides working the farm. The actual necessities of life were seldom lacking, but it was a life of severe poverty. For some years Thomas Lincoln served as a county supervisor of public roads, an important position in that time. Land owners paid their poll tax with pick and shovel then, and on road mending days he used to take little Abe along, both for company and for help. There are old-timers here now who claim that there is not a section of the old pike within several miles of his home along which Abraham Lincoln has not played or on which he has not driven his ox team.

At this time Kentucky offered few allurements to a poor man and in 1814 the Lincolns sold the little farm and moved to Indiana. Subsequently Abraham Lincoln moved into Illinois and the rest is history. But through all the years that followed he never forgot his first home. He rarely referred to it, but after he had become president of the United States he is known to have said, "When the war is over I would like very much to visit my old Kentucky home. I remember it well."

But he never did return and the farm and the little log cabin had a varied history. Thomas Lincoln sold the place to a family named Creal and it remained in their hands for over 70 years. Its beautiful rock spring was apparently its one redeeming feature and only recently has any one awakened to the realization that those 110 acres had any value beyond their yield in corn and sorghum. From time to time newspapers have announced that the Lincoln birthplace farm was to be sold but as a matter of fact it has only changed hands twice since Thomas Lincoln's original transfer. A few years ago it was given into the management of a Rev. J. W. Bingham, who removed the log cabin to the exhibition at Nashville, and later sold it to some exhibitors, who took it about the country as a travelling show. But a year or two ago the logs were found in a cellar at College Point, Long Island, where it was stored and with ceremony was restored to its original site.

The farm itself has been the subject of litigation for several years and efforts have been made by various interests to use it for one purpose or another. Many schemes have been suggested from time to time but none of them have borne any large national significance. Finally in 1905 it was advertised that "on August 28, the Lincoln farm was to be sold between the hours of 10 and 2 from the court house steps at public outcry and to the highest bidder."

Mr. Robert J. Collier of New York city had been negotiating for the property and upon the appearance of this notice he dispatched Mr Richard Lloyd Jones to Hodgenville with instructions to buy the place if possible.

The day set for the bidding was Monday and as the laws forbade Sunday railway operation in this neighborhood, Elizabethtown, 12 miles away, was as near as Mr. Jones could come by rail before Monday noon. At the little hotel in Elizabethtown Mr. Jones met two individuals who he learned were sent on the same mission as himself. One represented a prominent eastern merchant, the other a distilling concern, which recognized the commercial value of the pure water from the rock spring and the bottle label bearing the inscription "Lincoln Birthplace Whiskey." Both had come with instructions to "bid it in" and the sentiment which they displayed about their mission was intense. It eventually worked their ruin, for before evening their patriotic enthusiasm had been stimulated to a high degree, and by midnight both were peaceably abed.

Mr. Jones came here by buggy early the next morning and sought out the commissioner who was to conduct the sale. With the thought of the two gentlemen who were still resting in Elizabethtown he tried to persuade the commissioner to start the sale promptly at 10 o'clock. But that official was for having it in the afternoon. Finally 12:30 was agreed upon as a compromise. A horse auction the same day excited more interest among the citizens of the village and it was but a small crowd that gathered about the court house when Commissioner Handley announced that he was ready to sell the Rock Spring farm. The bidding started at $1,500 and was gradually worked up to $3,600, at which price it was sold to Mr. Colliers' representatives. After the papers had been properly drawn and recorded Mr. Jones started to drive back to Elizabethtown and encountered one of the belated bidders, who was mercilessly hurrying his horse to reach the auction in time to bid. An indignant salutation greeted Mr. Jones' announcement that the Lincoln farm was in his pocket.

"What am I to say when I get back?" the other shouted in dismay. "I'll give you $10,000 for it right now." But Mr. Collier had a better use for the place and it was not handed over. Instead he interested a group of representative American citizens in forming a national association for the preservation of this ground. This group of citizens organized the Lincoln Farm association, which was promptly incorporated under the laws of the State of New York. The title of the Lincoln birthplace was transferred to this association and the programme for enlarging the membership of the society was at once begun. In order to make the memorial to Lincoln represent the tributes of all the people no contribution of more than $25 has been accepted and any one contributing as small a sum as 25 cents is entitled to membership in the organization.

Since that time about 20,000 subscriptions have been received averaging a little less than $1.40 to a member. With these funds the trustees bought the cabin in which Lincoln was born and set it up on its original site, they have commenced the memorial building which is to cover the cabin and they have made plans for developing the farm into a beautiful park.

Repeal the Lien Law.

Clinton Gazette.

Once again the old, well-worn, much abused and yet vigorous lien law is running the gauntlet. This bone of contention has been gnawed and chawed in the councils of the general assemblies of South Carolina for nearly 50 years. Time and again it has been amended and patched if not renovated, and time after time it has been set upon and assaulted with intent to kill, only to result in a compromise or a holdover to some future day for a final hearing of its merits and demerits and a final settlement of its fate or its indefinite fixture and lease upon life as a statutory law of the land. However, by a vote of 85 to 35 in the lower house it seems apparent at this hour that one branch of the legislature at least went up against the law with "murderous" intent.

What the senate may do with it appears to be in doubt. If the senate sees fit to concur with the house the lien law will at once be a dead cock in the pit.

The Gazette is inclined to believe that it ought to be repealed. It has more than served its original purpose. And yet while its repeal would for a while work a little awkward and inconvenient to the lien cropper, too, yet it would in a few seasons bring about a safer system and a better condition for all parties. Hardships are sometimes blessings in disguise. Whenever the farmer, white or black, is forced by a change of circumstances to buy nothing at all that he might get along without he will most likely, aye, naturally, get along tolerably well on less until he can tickle the soil and produce at home about all the necessaries of life and, at the end of the year, even if he has made less cotton, will owe less for provisions and hence will be in easier circumstances—will feel more like a man than a slave.

If ever, now is an opportune time to kill the lien law and try some other plan. The conditions following the repeal would adjust themselves, and we believe all would be well in the roundup.

MONUMENT TO A MULE.

Has Been Erected by a Man at Royston, Ga.

Elberton, Ga.—Mr. W. M. Bowers of Royston, one of the leading men of his section, has had a monument erected to "Old Fly," an old family mule.

On one side of the marble tombstone were these words:

"Old Fly,
"Mrs. S. C. Berryman's
"Buggy Mule.
"Hence this Monument."

On the reverse side of the monument is the lettering:

"She was 40 years and 5 days old when she died.

"Proverbs 12.10—'A righteous man regardeth the life of his beast, but the mercies of the wicked are cruel.'"

"Old Fly," as she was called, was purchased by Mrs. S. C. Berryman when 5 years old and had remained in the Berryman family till she died. Mrs. Berryman used "Fly" in her young days as a buggy mule and gave her this name because of her fleetness of foot. "Fly" was also very gentle and harmless.

Mrs. Berryman, in her life-time, thought so much of "Fly" that her children kept her after the old lady had passed way. Marion Berryman of Royston owned the old mule for several years. She served her day and time well and faithfully, but for the last three years before her death "Old Fly" was never harnessed.

If mules and horses possessed spirits there would be no doubt in the minds of the Berryman people, nor those of the Bowers family, as to where this good old mule is spending eternity.

Thirty-five years or more ago "Old Fly," it is said, pulled a home-made wooden plow stock through cotton fields where the progressive and wide-awake town of Royston now stands.

In speaking of the monument, Mr. Bowers said, "I think it meet and proper and proves a noble spirit in mankind to be kind to animals, especially in their declining and helpless days. For this reason we decided to place a monument over the last resting place of 'Old Fly.' Another reason for it was because mother thought so much of the old mule, who in turn, it seemed, to a certain extent reciprocated the feelings."

COURT IN YORKVILLE.

W. J. Shelton Wins Suit Against the Southern Railway.

Special to The State.

Yorkville, Feb. 11.—The two last cases disposed of on Wednesday and Thursday in the court of common pleas was the Savings bank of Fort Mill against Alexander Sprunt & Sons, suit for $1,500, funds advanced by plaintiff to defendants to purchase cotton. The jury rendered a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for the full amount asked.

The next case was quite an interesting one, with a number of physicians of Yorkville and Rock Hill and one or two from elsewhere as witnesses. It was the suit of W. J. Shelton, some years ago a newspaper reporter, against the Southern Railway company for $50,000 for personal injury by being hurt in the derailment of a freight caboose at Clyburn's siding, in Kershaw county. The jury rendered a verdict for $13,500 for the plaintiff, and a motion was made for a new trial by the plaintiff's attorney. After hearing arguments pro and con, Judge Klugh stated that he thought the verdict excessive and would grant a new trial unless the plaintiff would agree to accept a verdict for $10,000 within 30 days. Messrs. Jno. Gary Evans of Spartanburg, W. A. Holman of Charleston and M. B. Jennings of Yorkville were counsel for the plaintiff, and Mr. J. E. McDonald represented the defendant railway company. Court then adjourned.

York county juries are not giving as large verdicts against corporations as formerly, as will be noted by a verdict a few days ago of $6,000 for the death of young Collins at Blacksburg on the Southern railway, where $60,000 was asked for. G. T. S.

THE WOMEN'S MONUMENT

Hearty Indorsement of the South Carolina Proposition From Alabama and Georgia Papers.

Montgomery Advertiser.

Rarely have we seen an editorial in a Northern newspaper which we consider better worth republishing entire than is the following from the New York Tribune.

"However the people of the country may differ as to the issues involved in the Civil war, there can be only one opinion regarding the bill introduced in the legislature of South Carolina providing for a monument to the women of the Confederacy. Full recognition of the heroism of these women has been unanimously accorded by Northern as well as Southern writers, and it is fitting that future generations should have a visible reminder of the self-sacrifice of that part of the population which did its heroic work during four dark years, not to the inspiring music of the military band or in that excitement of the battlefield, which leads to self-forgetfulness, but on the deserted plantation, in the midst of almost inconceivable hardships.

"In any war the women are called upon to carry fully as large a share of the burden as the men. It is not they who bear the arms and who hear the whistling of the bullets over the field of battle, gray with smoke, but it is the women's ears that are strained for news from the front, and the women's hearts that ache for those never to return. For them there is none of the inspiration which a united host creates; they must carry not only their own burdens, but in many instances are compelled to pick up those laid down by the men who have gone to the front.

"All that the North suffered during the war the South suffered twofold. The South was drained of its strong men to an extent hardly conceivable in the North. Not only were the women left to carry on almost all the work of the country, year after year, with such assistance as they could secure from the negroes who had remained faithful to them, but they were to a large extent deprived of the means with which to perform the simplest and most necessary tasks. Over and over again the crops they had planted and hoped to harvest were destroyed and their fields laid waste. Their homes were in many instances preempted by their enemies, and many of them spent their days in nursing not only their own soldiers, but also the suffering men in blue. No one will begrudge the women of the South the monument which the men of the South are proposing to erect in their honor. It is one more merited tribute to an example of heroism which has few equals in the history of civilization."

Time with healing on its wings has banished much of the bitterness engendered by the great War Between the States and has brought instead a wide feeling of tolerance and charity to each side. We of the South who firmly believe that our contention was right and that our position was fully justified can continue in that belief without offense or injury to any fair-minded person. On the other hand our Northern brethren who stood by the Union and fought for it can adhere to their conviction that they were right, and we have no cause to take offense because they can not see as we do. There were two sides to the shield and those who looked on one side were as conscientious as were those who saw only the other side.

But, as The Tribune argues, there can be but one opinion as to the sufferings, the endurance, the self-sacrifice and the heroism of the women of the Confederacy. None but those whose active lives formed part of the history of those wondrous days can realize or even imagine what a hard lot, mentally and physically, the women endured during those troublous years. Hardly a woman of that time could be found who had not one or more loved ones in the ranks of the great gray army. Fathers and sons, husbands and brothers were away, and the women could do nothing but wait in continual fear and dread that each succeeding day might bring to them the heart-breaking news that one whom they dearly loved had gone down to a glorious death. It was a time when bad news came each day to women, telling them of a bereavement for which there was no compensation.

And mental suffering was not all they endured, nor can the people of the North fully understand or appreciate all the privations through which our women passed in those days. While it is true that there were inconveniences and perhaps want in some cases in the North, it was only a tithe of what was so widespread in the Confederacy that it was almost universal. Many a Confederate soldier's wife suffered grievously for want of the actual necessaries of life. Many a soldier's wife or widow saw the pinched faces of hungry children pleadingly appealing to her for the food she was powerless to give them. Thousands and thousands of delicate women whose lives had been lives of ease and plenty were compelled to do man's work in old and elsewhere in order to keep the wolf of starvation from the door.

Yes, it is well that monuments be erected to the women of the Confederacy. There has been too much delay in this respect already. As the veterans who fought are dropping off on every hand, so the women whose record for endurance and sacrifice has never been equalled are also going to their long homes. Soon there will be none of them left and those who are yet with us should have their hearts gladdened by the knowledge that they are not forgot. While no monument that can be designed or erected can fully do honor to the noble women of the times made glorious by their endurance and the men's heroism, it is right and proper that all should be done that can be accomplished. South Carolina is proposing to do what every other Confederate State should do.

"Unqualified Commendation."

Atlanta Constitution.

There will be no lack of appreciation of the gracious tribute which the New York Tribune, a newspaper whose Northern sympathies were once characterized by the bitterest prejudices, pays to the women of the South in its unqualified commendation of the South Carolina movement to erect a monument to the women of the Confederacy.

The Tribune accords unstinted praise to the heroism of the Southern women, who fought the hardest battles of the war—those of the depleted and almost deserted home and plantation—who had not only to do the work of men, but often to devise the means and implements for doing it.

Of the South Carolina movement The Tribune, under the caption, "A Richly Merited Tribute," says:

"However the people of the country may differ as to the issues involved in the Civil war, there can be only one opinion regarding the bill introduced in the legislature of South Carolina providing for a monument to the women of the Confederacy. Full recognition of the heroism of these women has been unanimously accorded by Northern as well as Southern writers, and it is fitting that future generations should have a visible reminder of the self-sacrifice of that part of the population which did its heroic work during four dark years, not to the inspiring music of the military band or in that excitement of the battlefield, which leads to self-forgetfulness, but on the deserted plantation, in the midst of almost inconceivable hardships. . . . No one will begrudge the women of the South the monument which the men of the South are proposing to erect in their honor. It is one more merited tribute to an example of heroism which has few equals in the history of civilization."

Such a gracious and sincere expression can not fail to evoke like generous response.

It is particularly significant, coming from The Tribune, of the spirit of the times, which accords commendation to heroism and devotion to duty wherever it may be found.

There is no agency which can do more in the propagation of that spirit—the great national spirit—which is so rapidly supplanting prejudiced and unreasoning sectionalism, than papers like the New York Tribune.

SCHOONER TOWED TO PORT

The Richard F. C. Hartly, Her Crew Exhausted and Side Stove in, Taken to New York.

New York, Feb. 11.—With all hands on board exhausted by their constant labor for days to keep their vessel free of water, the schooner Richard F. C. Hartly, from Jacksonville, lumber laden, was towed into this harbor today by the tug Reliance, which had picked her up. The Hartly, Capt. Faulker, left Jacksonville for New York on January 26 and had heavy weather all the way up the coast. Several of her sails were split, two planks in her side were stove in by pounding seas and she had six feet of water in her hold. By the hardest kind of work her crew managed to keep her afloat until help came.

Mr. J. Q. Pyles Dead.

By Long Distance 'Phone.

Greenwood, Feb 12.—Mr. John Quitman Pyles died this morning at 1.30, his death being the result of pneumonia.

Mr. Pyles is survived by two brothers, Mr. N. O. Pyles of Columbia and Mr. P. J. Pyles of Barnwell county.

The funeral arrangements have not yet been announced.

Mr. Galloway Off to Washington.

Mr. C. M. Galloway, private secretary to United States Senator-elect E. D. Smith, left last night for Washington to attend to a number of matters connected with Senator-elect Smith's future duties in the capital.

Princeton to Meet Virginia.

Princeton, N. J., Feb. 11.—The baseball schedule for Princeton university was announced today, including, April 9, University of Virginia at Charlottesville, Va.; May 4, University of Virginia at Princeton.

A FACT ABOUT THE "BLUES"

What is known as the "Blues" is seldom occasioned by actual existing external conditions, but in the great majority of cases by a disordered LIVER.

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They control and regulate the LIVER. They bring hope and bouyancy to the mind. They bring health and elasticity to the body.

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MRS. LAURA RUSSELL, Logan, Iowa.

When the heart action is weak, it fails to pump the blood through the lungs with sufficient rapidity. Then the lungs do not absorb the proper amount of oxygen, although they may be taking in a normal amount of air. The result is shortness of breath, smothering spells, difficult breathing, oppressed feeling in chest. Dr. Miles' Heart Remedy strengthens the heart nerves and muscles, and in this way increases the circulation.

Get a bottle from your druggist. Take it according to directions, and if it does not benefit he will return your money.

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If you have any money to invest, put it in a diamond. Diamonds pay more than triple as much as savings banks, and there is so much real pleasure in wearing one.

If you've a hundred or a thousand you want to invest sanely, put it in a diamond. We are now showing some very choice stones.

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JEWELER.
COLUMBIA, S. C.

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Desirable large stable, Washington St., near Main St. $00.00

Large new warehouse, with basement, elevator, railway siding . . $125.00

Warehouse, with railway siding, platform, etc., Gervais St. . . $30.00

Large desirable office rooms, Main St., central location $15.00

Desirable 6-room flat, conveniences, central location, Main St. . . $30.00

New 6-room house, Park St. . $20.00

Six rooms, west Gervais St., conveniences $15.00

FOR SALE.

New 9-room dwelling, desirable locality, nice lot, easy terms, 7 per cent. interest on deferred payments . . $3,000

Six 3-room houses, renting for $360 per annum, and lot one and four-fifths acres, room to build 12 other houses, good rental locality $3,250

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2258 Gadsden St., Elmwood Park, new 7-room dwelling. Lot 52x190.
1127 Price Ave., new 5-room house. Lot 40x160.
1818 Pendleton St., new up-to-date residence. 7 rooms. Lot 52x160.
911 Oak St., new 6-room cottage. Corner Lot, 55x208.
Park St. and 2nd Ave., Elmwood Park. A fine corner lot, 59½x166.

FOR RENT.

1824 Marion St., 8 rooms. All modern improvements $23.00
1818 Marion St., 7 rooms. All modern improvements $25.00
1215 Pendleton St., 7 rooms. All modern improvements $30.00
1326 Assembly St., 8 rooms. Fine location for boarding house . . $25.00
1414 Richland St., 5 rooms $12.50
821 Gervais St., new 12-room flat, near Seaboard depot $40.00

THE McCREERY-PRESSLEY CO.
1320 Main Street. COLUMBIA, S. C. Phone 838.

CHOICE REAL ESTATE AT BARGAIN PRICES.

$550 buys 5 acres, half mile railroad station, 13 miles to Columbia, 5-room house, outbuildings, land sown with oats and rye and wired for poultry, 1,000 strawberry plants and patch of onions ready for market in the spring, 125 fruit trees (apple, peach, pear). Be quick.

$1,000 buys 103 acres on Winnsboro road, 13 miles city, 60 acres cleared, 25 in fine bottoms, plenty of timber, clay soil, land well watered, mile to school and church.

8-room and 5-room houses on Sumter St., will rent well. $2,800.

$3,200 buys 6-room house and four tenant houses on Lincoln St., half block Elmwood Ave., lot 61x222 feet. Rent $360.

$1,800 buys cottage in Elmwood Park, block Elmwood Ave.

DICKERT & FOGLE.
1410 Main St. Real Estate, Fire Insurance.

We have for sale a piece of property on Lady street, just off of Main, that is a particularly desirable location for a store, office or apartment house; if bought now it will prove a splendid investment.

Columbia has outgrown the "one street" idea. Main street is overcrowded and the side streets must be put into use for business purposes. There's no room on Main street, but business must expand, and it will naturally go to the locations nearest to Main street—the side streets. And when the side streets are used what will be the result? Only one. Prices and values will immediately rise.

Are you interested in the problem of making money? If you are—and we presume you are—it might be to your advantage to investigate the property we have mentioned.

Any particulars will be furnished.

WALKER, RAVENEL & CO.
1323 Main Street.

For Sale

New six-room cottage with sewerage, bath, electric lights, all rooms wall-papered, large lot. Easy terms, $1,825.00.

Twelve-room house on corner of Assembly and Gervais streets, $7,500.

New modern dwelling, all improvements. Blanding street, $11,500.

Money to Loan on Real Estate.

W. C. Swaffield
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FOR SALE

Very desirable one-fourth acre building lot, No. 1707 Gervais street. Southern exposure. Best residence locality. Attractive terms.

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Insurance and Real Estate,
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FOR SALE

Building lots and mercantile sites in Shandon and Waverley and in the city of Columbia.

Reasonable terms.

Robt. W. Shand, Pres.
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In living in your own home. Do you live in your own, or do you pay so much every month for the privilege of living in some other person's?

Buy a lot and build yourself a house. COLONIAL HEIGHTS is a good place to buy. Pretty lots sell from $175 to $550. It's easy to buy one. Talk to us.

Walker, Ravenel & Co.,
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FOR SALE

Six-room house with one-half acre lot, Shandon. Bargain. See us at once. Easy terms. $2,800.00.

HOWARD CALDWELL & COMPANY,
STOCKS, BONDS, REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE.
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FOR SALE.

Residence property on Pickens, Bull, Marion, Washington, Senate, College and Laurens streets.

FOR RENT.

No. 1221 Pickens street and No. 1800 Senate street.

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CITY BUILDING LOTS CHEAP.

Lot measuring 50x160 feet in most desirable neighborhood $1,250
Two lots adjoining bove; each $1,300
Three lots on Bryan Ave., Elmwood Park; each $1,200
Two lots on First Ave., Elmwood Park, each $1,500
Easy terms on any of the above.

FOR RENT.

Offices on Lady St., in rear of Abbott's Cigar Store.
7-room dwelling, 1518 Lady street $35.00
4-room cottage in Shandon . . $15.00

James A. Cathcart
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For Sale

Three acres of land, small dwelling and storehouse on car line. Price $1,650.00, good terms.

Two 7-room dwellings at Hyatt Park, nicely finished up. Real cheap with small payment, balance long time.

939 acres, well improved place in Chester county, two miles from Leeds. Price $10.00 per acre. Good terms.

Timber tract and farm proposition combined, three and a half miles from Swansea, well improved place. Say timber estimated to cut one million feet. Price $10.50 per acre.

Have gotten hold of several pieces of good rental property right recently. Pays 15 per cent.

100 acres of timber, two and a half miles from Lykesland, real fine, estimated to cut one million feet.

Farm 11 miles from Columbia, near Lykesland, 244 acres, 125 acres in cultivation, balance woods. Improvements, four tenant houses, necessary outbuildings, rents for $250. Price, $3,000; terms, $500 cash, balance in five equal annual payments at 7 per cent.

Improved place of 6?5 acres, three and a half miles from railroad, about 60 acres open land. Improvements—nice six or seven room dwelling, nearly new, good outbuildings. Place is well watered. Price $2,000.

J. F. MOBLEY
1434 MAIN STREET.
PHONE 1818. COLUMBIA, S. C.

For Sale

Small lot, corner Barnwell and Pendleton streets $1,075
Desirable lots in Shandon on car line.
No. 1118 Blossom street, half block from Main street, rents $22 month. Price $2,000

E. W. SEIBELS & SON.
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Room 201, Skyscraper. Phone 680.

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Two modern residences in good locality. A large part of purchase price can be carried at a reasonable rate of interest.

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REAL ESTATE NOTES.

Notwithstanding the money stringency following the panic of 1907, the past year has witnessed more sales of farm lands in Sumter and Clarendon Counties through my office than any other of the five years I have been in the business. This means that the advantages of good soil n a progressive and developing community at reasonable prices are being more generally recognized.

If you want to get into such a community, write me what size place you are able to buy.

R. B. BELSER,
REAL ESTATE ATTORNEY,
26½ North Main Street,
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For Sale

27 acres on new road from Camden to Two-Notch road, 3 miles from city. Well located and good land. All in woods on Penn branch, $100 per acre.

6-room new cottage on lot 60x109 feet, corner Wayne and Elmwood avenue $3,000

9 3-4 acres adjoining Shandon Annex, all cleared. Six room new dwelling with servants' house, buggy house, stable and barn. A nice home at a bargain. 10 minutes' walk to street car.

235 acres at Sharp's Station on Southern railway, dwelling, tenant houses, barns etc. Land suitable for fruit growing. Healthy locality, good neighborhood. Price $4.50 per acre.

2,600 acres near Eastover, S. C. 1,700 acres cleared and in fine state of cultivation, will average bale of cotton to acre. All improvements to be found on modern farm.

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CRITICISE LAWS ON IMMIGRATION

Labor Leaders Urge Restriction of Inflowing Tide.

SECRETARY STRAUS' OPINION

Head of Department of Commerce and Labor Points Out Delicate Points of Problem.

Washington, Feb. 11.—At the conference of leaders of organized labor with Secretary Straus of the department of commerce and labor today, criticism of present immigration laws was made by nearly every speaker, including President Samuel Gompers of the American Federation of Labor, Warren S. Stone of the Locomotive Engineers and President Valentine of the Moulders' union. Mr. Valentine declared that conditions affecting unemployed workmen were worse now than in the panic years of 1873 and 1893. He argued restriction of immigration.

Secretary Straus pointed out that the United States had international obligations as old as the country itself which could not be abrogated, even when it might seem temporarily advantageous to do so

"If we were to undertake that," said the secretary, "from the standpoint of amity and international intercourse our action might be tantamount to a declaration of war with a foreign power."

Commissioner of Labor Neill, who had been called to the conference by Secretary Straus, corroborated Mr. Valentine's statements. He criticized, by intimation, the direction of the work of the division of information. Dr. Neill said that he was not in the conference to "skin anybody's skunk." He was there, he said, to state the facts without reference to anybody.

Straus Not Pleased.

While Secretary Straus had little to say regarding this development, he was evidently not pleased at the attitude of the commissioner.

The sharp issue between Secretary Straus and Commissioner Neill in their views as expressed before the conference and tributes paid to Secretary Straus featured the session. President Gompers, speaking for the assemblage, expressed regret that Secretary Straus was not to continue at the head of the department of commerce and labor in the incoming administration and on behalf of organized labor extended thanks to the secretary for his thoughtful consideration of laboring men.

Secretary Straus responded that, in some respects, he was sorry to relinquish the work in which he had found so much interest and so great an opportunity to do good. He did not propose, however, to relinquish the work entirely, but expected to continue as a private citizen. He said he hoped at no distant time to see the National Council of Commerce, which had been organized through his efforts, brought into intimate relations with a similar organization of the representatives of labor, so that the two might work for the betterment of all the people of America.

REFUSES MANDAMUS TO OUST OFFICIALS

Circuit Judge Declines to Issue Order Removing Police Chief and Lieutenant of Portsmouth.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 12.—Judge White in the circuit court of Portsmouth today denied a petition for mandamus to oust Chief of Police F. T. Tynan and Police Lieutenant A. H. Only of Portsmouth, in favor of J. M. Broughton and M. L. Hunt, elected, respectively, to those offices. The Portsmouth city charter denies the right of the police commissioners to oust officials except by unanimous vote when there are no charges.

CHESTER KNIGHTS PLEASED

Delighted at Grand Conclave in Columbia—General Secretary Gordon Delivers Instructive Lectures.

Special to The State.

Chester, Feb. 11.—Between 25 and 30 members of Chester commandery, Knight Templar, attended the third annual conclave of the grand commandery in Columbia yesterday and last night. They returned this morning and all speak in high terms of praise of the very delightful occasion. A Chester man, Mr. Z. Vance Davidson, was made one of the State officers, being elected grand standard bearer. Mr. Davidson is a very enthusiastic knight.

The congregation of the Associate Reformed church of Chester has enjoyed this week the very great pleasure and profit of a visit from Mr. George Gordan, general secretary of the Laymen's movement of that denomination. He delivered two very impressive and instructive lectures before the congregation, setting forth the objects of this enterprise and the condition of the work in hand.

Mr and Mrs. Joseph Schenck of Georgetown have made a recent visit to kindred in Chester. They will go on an European trip early in April

Mrs. J. H. McLure left this week for Texas, to join her husband, who has secured a lucrative position in engineering work in the Lone Star State.

Representative S. T. McKeown has been compelled to give up for the present his work in the legislature. He is at home suffering from an attack of bronchitis.

Mr. J. E. Price, supervisor of the Chester postoffice building, now under construction, has returned from a trip to Washington, D. C.

Already there is being shown something of a bubbling of the pot of municipal politics. One candidate in three of the four wards of the city is announced for the position of alderman. No entries in the newspapers for mayor.

Mr A. R. McAliley, electrician in the navy yard at Charleston, is here on a visit to his old home. He is a recent Clemson college graduate.

Miss Mary Elliott of Sumter is here on a visit to the Misses Davega.

Dots From Blacksburg.

Special to The State.

Blacksburg, Feb. 11.—Mrs. Bessie Davis, who was so severely burned last week from her dress catching fire at an open fireplace, died on Tuesday night from the effects of the burns.

She was buried yesterday afternoon in the new cemetery by the side of her husband, Mr. Fletcher Davis, who died over a year ago. They leave two children, aged 4 and 2 years.

Mrs. Davis was an excellent woman, with many fine traits of character. She had a host of friends who mourn the loss of one so young and under such sad circumstances, and who will see that the two little orphans are provided with homes.

MONEY FOR GOOD ROADS.

Over $6,000 Pledged to the Virginia Association.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 11.—At today's session of the State Good Roads association, after reports of various committees had been submitted, $6,190 was pledged to press the work of the organization. Maj. W. W. Cosby of the Maryland Geological survey made an address on what Maryland has accomplished for good roads.

TODAY LEGAL HOLIDAY IN FEDERAL TERRITORY

Congress Makes Provision for the Observance of Lincoln Day in its Jurisdiction.

Washington, Feb. 11.—By joint resolution late today congress made provision, as far as possible, for the observance of February 12, 1909, the centennial anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, as a special holiday and authorized the president to issue a proclamation making it effective in the district of Columbia and the territories of Alaska, Arizona and New Mexico and Hawaii.

In anticipation of the passage of such a resolution, after he had departed for Lincoln's birthplace in Kentucky, the president had prepared and signed a proclamation, which was issued as soon as the joint resolution had been signed by the president of the senate and the speaker of the house.

While the proclamation applies only to the District of Columbia and the territories, the States of Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Kansas, Minnesota, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, Washington and Wyoming have, by legislation, made Lincoln's birthday a legal holiday.

No Special Orders.

Washington, Feb. 11.—Disappointment will be felt among the employes at several of the navy yards throughout the country tomorrow, notably those at Portsmouth, N. H., Norfolk, Charleston, Pensacola and San Francisco, because Secretary of Navy Newberry, while believing that the intent of congress and the president was to make the holiday general, issued no special orders to the commandants of the navy yards regarding the observance of Lincoln day except to those specified by congress.

ATTEMPT TO MURDER VICEROY OF INDIA?

Believed That Bomb Thrown at Train Near Barrackpur Was Intended for Lord Minter.

Calcutta, Feb. 11.—A bomb was thrown at a railroad train near Barrackpur, 15 miles north of here, yesterday evening, and today an investigation resulted in the suspicion that the act was an attempt upon the life of Lord Minter, the viceroy of India. The viceroy was due to pass this spot on his way to Assam, but it so happened that he was on another train.

The explosion of the bomb did not result in injury to any one.

VESSEL ABANDONED AT SEA

Crew of the Elvira Ball, Four-masted Schooner, Taken From Leaking Ship by Steamer.

New York, Feb. 11.—The abandonment at sea of the four masted schooner Elvira Ball, from Jacksonville to Boston, was reported by Capt. T. B. Stanton of the abandoned vessel in a telegram from Norfolk, Va., received today by Pendleton Brothers, agents of the vessel here. All hands on board were taken off and landed at Norfolk by the schooner Thelma, bound for Savannah from New York.

The Elvira Ball, loaded with lumber, left Jacksonville February 4. February 8 she struck a sunken obstruction and filled rapidly.

To Seek Derelict Schooner.

Norfolk, Va., Feb 11.—The revenue Onondaga will be sent from here to search for the abandoned schooner Elvira Ball, whose crew, taken off by the schooner Thelma, was landed at Old Point Comfort today and subsequently brought to Norfolk by tug. When the Ball began settling Monday Mate Robbins of Thomaston, Me., filled a can with old and using old rags for a wick, lighted the torches which attracted the Thelma.

'POSSUM FEED FOR SUNNY JIM

Georgia Delegation Will Give Vice President-elect His Fill of "'Possum and Taters."

Washington, Feb. 11.—Regretful that Vice President-elect James S. Sherman should have been deprived of the gastronomic pleasure enjoyed by President-elect Taft, upon the occasion of the recent "'possum and taters" dinner at Atlanta, the Georgia delegation in congress has determined to give Mr. Sherman a dinner in this city shortly after the inauguration, at which this famous dish shall appear.

"We shall see that Georgia furnishes the ''possum and taters,'" said Representative Edwards of Georgia today. Last season's crop of both was excellent and many of our citizens will be glad to send these Georgia products to the capital for the delectation of Mr. Sherman.

Mr. Edwards said that a decorative feature of the occasion would be a monster radish, weighing 18 pounds raised by James Riggs in Bullock county, Ga., and which will be presented to Mr. Sherman as a memento of the "'possum dinner"

C. & O. DIRECTORS CHOSEN

Election of New Men to Take Places of Retiring Members Causes Advance in Stock.

New York, Feb. 11.—At a meeting of directors of the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad today, F. A. Vanderlip, Edwin Hawley, H. E. Huntington, J. G. Castles, Frank Trumbull and Frederick Scott of Richmond, Va., were elected directors to succeed Samuel Rea, J. P. Green, Walter G. Oakman, George S. Bowdoin, T. J. Fowler and Martin Erdman, retiring members of the old board. Shares of Chesapeake & Ohio stock advanced to a new high record for the year on announcement of the election of the new directors.

The recent strength of the stock has been attributed to various causes—change of management by some and rumors that the road would be merged with the Louisville & Nashville and the Atlantic Coast Line system by others. A few days ago Chesapeake & Ohio stock advanced on rumors that the road would be merged with the Chicago & Alton, the Toledo, St. Louis & Western, Iowa Central, Minneapolis & St. Paul and possibly the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton roads.

VESSEL'S LOSS CONFIRMED.

Wreckage Seems to Tell the Fate of Schooner Cleopatra.

Pensacola, Fla., Feb. 11.—Vessels arriving here today report passing wreckage of a schooner and gasoline tanks, which it is believed confirm the reported loss of the schooner Cleopatra in the gulf on January 25. Unconfirmed reports say the body of Capt. Martin has been found on the beach near St. Andrew's bay.

CANNON FOR DECORATION.

Senate Passes Bill Giving Ornaments to This State.

The State Bureau,
12 Post Building,
Washington, Feb. 11

Senator Tillman today got through the senate a bill authorizing and directing the secretary of war to furnish to South Carolina four brass or bronze field guns with carriages, cannon balls, etc., to be used for ornamental purposes.

Zach McGhee.

ALLEGED ASSAILANT CAUGHT

Jack Wade, Colored, Arrested Near Lakeland, Fla., on Charge of Attempting Criminal Assault.

Gainesville, Fla., Feb 11.—Sheriff Ramsey today arrested Jack Wade, colored, charged with attempted criminal assault upon Miss Irma Newell near Lakeland, Fla., Tuesday morning while she was on her way to school. Officers in this section have been hunting for Wade for the past three days, word having been received here Tuesday that he was suspected of being the guilty party.

The negro will be taken to Lakeland tonight.

Lynching Not Unlikely.

Lakeland, Fla., Feb. 11.—Charley Orumley, the negro arrested on suspicion of having assaulted Miss Newell, and who came near meeting death at the hands of an infuriated mob, was released from jail today, it being established beyond doubt that he was not the man wanted. The State troops returned to Tampa tonight, there being no longer any necessity of their remaining here, as the mob has dispersed and everything is quiet.

Sheriff Logan of Polk county, who is bringing the negro Wade from Gainesville, says he will protect him until taken before Miss Newell, but if she identifies him as being her assailant, "no sheriff in the United States will be able to save the brute from the infuriated citizens."

GERMAN POPULACE CURIOUS

Intensely Interested in Conference Between Sir Charles Harding and Chancellor von Buelow.

Berlin, Feb. 11.—Intense curiosity is being displayed by the German people concerning Sir Charles Harding's conference with Chancellor von Buelow last night. The authorities, however, maintain the strictest reticence, except to state that every subject was touched upon in which the policy of both nations is interested and that the result of the discussion was most satisfactory to both sides.

Accompanied by the queen and the emperor and empress, the king today paid a lengthy visit to the Emperor Frederick museum. The royal party afterwards dined with the crown prince and crown princess at their palace, after which they attended a gala performance of "Sardanapalus" at the opera.

WINTER AT TOXAWAY.

Recent Cold Snap Made Lovely Picture at Mountain Resort.

Asheville Citizen.

Stormy winter swept Lake Toxaway like the faded Besom yesterday

High up in the air where the big mountains look down on the artificial body of water fed by the ice cold streams from the snowy summits of the cloud-capped heights the worst weather so far reported existed yesterday, but fortunately there were few to be molested by it because at this season of the year Toxaway is rather lonesome. The thermometer dropped to zero yesterday morning and then dropped six degrees below to the accompaniment of a furious gale.

The placid waters of the large lake were whipped into a rage and boiling waters leaped to real waves, the high powered winds howling down from Mount Toxaway and its snowy top and raging southward over the Blue Ridge chain. The waves beat against the massive dam by the "spillway" where overflow water is permitted to chase down into South Carolina and its spray dashing high against the sides of the dam froze until the bank seemed all ice of many curious shapes. The spray thrown by the rushing water of the spillway covered many of the big rocks on the sides and they, too, were coated with ice and so with the white mountains and the stormy water Toxaway seemed an amphitheatre of frost.

"The cold has accomplished one good thing," said a gentleman from the lake yesterday. "It has either frozen or chased to winter quarters the 'hants' and particularly the 'santer,' which cut such a figure there last year. You know this 'santer' would lay in wait to try to catch people to devour them. It had a body like a wild cat, only larger, and a head like a whale, and it used to come out of the lake. If you do not believe this ask Mr. R. R. Porter, who saw it dive into the water."

ARCTIC VISION AT THE HOOK.

Dream of the Count de la Motte de la Tour.

New York Sun.

The count up in his tower peered out where the Ambrose lightship swayed. He shivered. "By my frosty beard, the world afloat seems ice arrayed. Is that La Gascogne gliding there upon the glazed floor of the sea? And can that be a polar bear a-wabbling in her foamless lee? Her masts are icicles, I ween. (You have to ween when writing verse). Her flags fly stiffly in the keen half gale that brought this Artic curse. But stop! (Of course I mean avast!) That boat's not French—that craft of ice! That flag upon her mizzen mast looks like a Crystal Line device. And see the snow men on her deck! All frozen to their posts! But, no!—they are not men, by heck! they're ghosts; jst pole exploring ghosts! Say, shipmate, please half mast our flag. You can't? It's turned to ice, you say? Well, go and get my sleeping bag and send C. Q. D. up the bay."

The count woke up with a puzzled look; his face was lighted with a grin. He sent this chestnut from the Hook:

"All ships are ice sheathed coming in."

Miss Maggie Cox Dead.

Special to The State.

Sumter, Feb. 11.—Miss Maggie Cox, the 18-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cox of this city, died at the home of her parents yesterday morning. The funeral services were held in Augusta today. Miss Cox was a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Kernaghan of Columbia. She has borne a year's suffering with fortitude and even on a bed of sickness has been the same amiable girl, the idol of her parents and beloved by her many friends. Her death has caused sadness in this community and much sympathy is extended the bereaved parents from the young lady's friends. She is survived by her father, mother, two sisters and two brothers.

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Miss Cox has many personal friends in Columbia who regret very much to hear of her death

Argument in Murder Case.

Columbus, Miss., Feb 11.—Argument in the case of Charles R. Smith, the wealthy planter charged with the murder of E. A. Laurent at Artesia, Miss., was begun today and will be completed tomorrow, the case probably going to the jury late in the afternoon

Gingerbread is very susceptible to changes in the moisture of the atmosphere, and a scientific Frenchman has taken advantage of this fact to provide himself with a novel and curious barometer. This is a warlike figure, made of gingerbread and suspended in a suitable place in the house. When anybody goes out, the "general" is consulted, and if he feels flabby and sticky, it is understood that an umbrella may be needed soon, but if the guide is hard and tough to the touch, it is known to be safe to venture forth with no preparation for bad weather. So far the general has been an infallible adviser.

CALIFORNIA MAY TAKE CENSUS OF JAPANESE

Assembly Passes Bill Appropriating $10,000 for Collection of Statistics on Asiatics in State.

Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 11.—Moderation on the part of legislators and an evident disposition finally to dispose of all measures relating to Japanese and other aliens characterized the day's session of the legislature. Adopting a suggestion by Gov. Gillett, the assembly voted to appropriate $10,000 to defray the expenses of a census, which shall show the number of Japanese in California and the pursuits in which they are engaged. The statistics are to be used in consideration of future legislation, possibly involving a request by California for an Asiatic exclusion act.

In the senate a resolution by Senator Marc Antony providing for a special election wherein the voters of California might express themselves on the subject of Asiatic immigration was defeated by a vote of 22 to 12.

The report of the committee on executive communications advised against anti-alien legislation at this time had been made the special order for today, but its consideration was shut off on a point of order, and the matter probably will not be again revived.

VERDICT OF GUILTY IN DRIGGERS CASE

J. Frank Driggers Convicted of Murdering His Sister and Recommended to Mercy of Court.

By Long Distance Phone.

Manning, Feb. 11.—The jury in the case of J. Frank Driggers, charged with the murder of his sister, Mrs. Mamie Boseman, at 10 o'clock tonight returned a verdict of guilty with recommendation to mercy.

Driggers is the first man convicted of a capital crime by a Clarendon jury in the past 11 years.

There has been much interest in the case, and the court room has been crowded during the trial.

The case has been hard fought throughout and every point introduced in evidence has been contested.

It appears from the testimony that liquor was a very important antecedent cause of the homicide.

FOR STATE-WIDE PROHIBITION

Virginia Anti-Saloon League Willing to Give Up Advocacy of Local Option.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 11.—The closing session tonight of the Virginia Anti-Saloon league was devoted to addresses, and a statement of the future policy of the league by the executive committee, read by Dr. James Cannon, Jr. He declared that while local option is the slogan of the league, this will be laid down at any time for State-wide prohibition. He also entered a general denial of any political affiliation in the present policy of the league. Lynchburg was successful in securing the next convention

DORANDO WINS 12-MILE RACE.

Defeats Percy Smallwood at Philadelphia Armory.

Philadelphia, Feb 11.—Dorando Pietri, the Italian Marathon runner, defeated Percy Smallwood, the well known distance runner, tonight in a 12-mile race at the Third regiment armory. The Italian led from the start and had gained a lap on the 14 lap track at the end of the first mile. His time for this mile was 4:54 4-5. Smallwood stopped running in the 11th mile, saying his leg had gone back on him. At this time Dorando was leading by four laps. The winner's time for the 12 miles was one hour, 13 minutes, 16 1-5 seconds.

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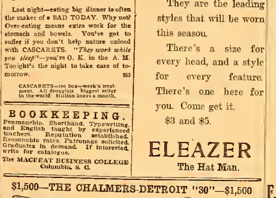

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HOUSE WOULD LET OLD DISPENSARY

Dixon Bill on Subject Goes to Third Reading.

IMPROVEMENTS ARE ORDERED

The Bill Provides That if the Building Is Not Sold in Next Sixty Days It Can be Rented.

The house yesterday without any discussion passed Mr. Dixon's bill authorizing the dispensary commission to sell the old State dispensary building at a price not less than $75,000 and if this bid is not made within 60 days the sinking fund commission is authorized to spend not more than $5,000 for improvements and rent out the place temporarily as a warehouse.

The bill reads as follows:

"Section 1. That the commissioners of the sinking fund be, and they are hereby, authorized and required to sell all that lot or parcel of land located in the city of Columbia, and bounded by Gervais, Huger, Pulaski and Lady streets, and upon which stand the buildings heretofore used by the State dispensary. That such sale shall be made under and pursuant to the terms of section 91, code of laws, South Carolina, 1902, volume 1, provided said property shall not be sold for less than $75,000 and the proceeds of such sale shall be turned into the State treasury and applied to school purposes, as provided for by the constitution of 1905, and the acts of the legislature carrying out the same: Provided, That the payment of the purchase price of said property shall be made in gold and silver coin of the United States, in United States currency, or in national bank notes: Provided, further, That if a sale can not be made as prescribed in this act within 60 days after its approval by the governor then, and in that event, the commissioners of the sinking fund shall have power and authority to rent or lease the said premises to any person or persons for such time and upon such terms and conditions as to said commission may seem advisable and in case the said premises are leased or rented, the said commission may expend not more than $5,000, if so much be necessary, for repairing the property and for installing in the buildings automatic fire sprinklers, or other device or devices for fire protection. Provided, further, That said premises shall not be leased or rented for a longer period than three years from the date of the real contract or lease: Provided, further, That the commissioners of the sinking fund shall have power in the event of a sale of the property is effected under the terms of this or any future act, to cancel any lease or rent contract entered into under the terms of this act, after 12 months' notice to the lessee; and in the event any tennant is committing waste, or in any manner damaging said property, such lease may, in the discretion of the sinking fund commission, be terminated upon 10 days' notice.

"Sec. 2. That each member of the State dispensary commission shall, after the 1st day of January, 1909, receive $5 per day and actual expenses for such time as may be necessary for completing the winding up the affairs of the State dispensary, and the same shall be paid in the manner heretofore provided by law.

"Sec. 3. That the governor is hereby authorized and empowered to fill the vacancies now existing, or that may hereafter exist in the State dispensary commission heretofore created by law, and to remove any member of said commission whenevere he deem it for the public interest so to do."

PROTECTION OF FISH GAME

Bill of Senator Bass Provoked Considerable Discussion in the Senate Yesterday.

Senator Bass' bill providing for the protection of game fish came in for more discussion at the afternoon session of the senate. Debate thereupon was finally adjourned until Friday morning.

There were a number of amendments, several of these being rejected and some of them passed.

There was a proviso in the bill that no game fish be sold during the months from 1st of March to 1st of November. This provision was stricken out and an amendment to the following effect adopted.

"That the selling of game fish between the months of March and November shall be prima facie evidence that the fish so sold were not caught as permitted by the act."

The act permits game fish, as enumerated, to be caught with hook and line.

There were also several other minor amendments to the bill.

Senator Clifton spoke at length upon the measure, claiming that it was too stringent and would in effect do away with fish as an article of food in the State if carried out.

Debate on the bill was adjourned until Friday.

Personally Conducted Tour to Washington, D. C.

Arrangements have been made for a delightful personally conducted tour via the Seaboard Air Line to Washington, D. C., during the inauguration of President-elect Taft.

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House Summary.

Filibuster on prohibition bill.
Passed appropriation bill.
More talk on prohibiton.
House meets at 10 o'clock.

APPROPRIATION BILL HAS PASSED HOUSE

No Changes Were Made in the Items as at First Reported—Total Appropriations $1,592,686.30.

The appropriation bill passed the house yesterday and was ordered sent to the senate. There were no changes in the bill except those passed on the floor of the house and previously reported. The ways and means committee removed from the department of Commissioner Watson the appropriations for cattle, the eradication of cattle ticks and such matters that are not under his control and these were put under miscellaneous expenses.

The total amount appropriated for the year is $1,592,686.30, an increase of about $210,000 over the bill as sent in by the ways and means committee. The levy is placed at about 5 mills, which is a reduction, and although there might be some changes made in the senate it is probable that the bill as passed by the house will be adopted.

LEAF TOBACCO STATISTICS

Bill Passed in the Senate Yesterday Providing for Accurate Information on This.

A bill was passed in the seante yesterday which would keep the tobacco growers of South Carolina as to the amount of leaf tobacco marketed and upon the floors of warehouses in this State.

The measure provides that after July 1 next each leaf warehouseman shall keep a correct account of the number of pounds of leaf tobacco sold upon the floor of his warehouse daily and on the fifth day of each succeeding month shall send to the commissioner of agriculture in this city a statement under oath of all the tobacco so sold at his place during the past month. The reports shall by the commissioner be so kept and arranged as to show the number of pounds of tobacco, the grade and price sold for the producers of tobacco from first hand; the number of pounds, with grade and price, sold for dealers; and the number of pounds, with grade and price, resold by the warehouseman for his own account or for the account of some other warehouse.

It is provided further that the commissioner shall cause this statement to be copied into a book kept for the purpose and shall keep separate and apart the statements sent him from each different tobacco market in the State.

The commissioner is required to publish these reports in the departmental bulletins and in one or more journals of large State circulation.

The penalty clause is rather elastic: "Any person wilfully violating the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and punished within the discretion of the court, and, in addition, shall be subject to a penalty of $500, to be sued for in the county in which the offender resides or does business, in case he reside without the State, by the attorney general whenever he may be advised by the commissioner that persons required by this act to make reports to him have failed to do so."

A warehouseman within the meaning of the act is defined as "the person, firm or corporation operating a warehouse for the sale of leaf tobacco, whether such person, firm or corporation be the owner or lessee of said warehouse."

NIGHT SESSION OF THE SENATE

A Number of Uncontested and Local Measures Passed in the Senate Last Evening.

At the evening session of the senate there were considered a number of uncontested and local matters.

The following bills of general interest passed second reading:

Mr. Earle—A bill to regulate the sale of paints and prescribe penalties.

Mr. Kibler—To amend the charter of the Lutheran synod of South Carolina.

Mr. Weston—To amand an act establishing the insurance department of South Carolina.

The bill of Senator Carlisle as to providing for the erection of fire escapes in certain hotels was continued until next session upon his motion. The committee had reported the same unfavorably.

Mr. Kelley—To provide for relief of sureties upon the bonds of persons acting in fiduciary capacity.

Mr. Mauldin—To make it unlawful to pay dividends on stock in any corporation unless the samo are actually earned.

Mr. Cosgrove—To declare the wilful or wanton burning of any building which is insured a felony and to provide punishment therefor. This bill was amended so as to make the provisions touch only one who shall afterwards apply for insurance upon the building burned, also that the bill shall not affect the present law on arson.

Mr. Laney—To regulate the sale, manufacture and delivery of commercial fertilizers. With committee amendments as published.

Mr. Mars—To authorize masters to administer oaths, etc.

There were quite a number of local measures also passed to third reading.

MR. ROESSLER'S BILL.

The Charleston Delegation is Divided Thereon—Mr. Todd's Position.

There is some difference of opinion among the Charleston delegation about Mr. Roessler's bill to allow the delegation to appoint the members of the Charleston board of control. Mr. Todd of the delegation is opposed to the measure.

Last night Mr. Todd, rising to a question of personal privilege, made some remarks upon an editorial appearing in Common Sense, a Charleston publication. This editorial rapped Mr. Todd for his opposition to the bill. Mr. Todd's remarks were directed against this paper and he also stated his position upon the matter of appointing the board of control.

HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION MEETS.

Saturday Afternoon at 12 O'clock—The Members Urged to Attend.

There will be an important meeting of the Hospital association Saturday at 12 o'clock in the chapel of the First Presbyterian church, corner of Lady and Bull streets.

All members of the association are urged to be present, as business of importance will be up for discussion and settlement.

Silver Tea Postponed.

The silver tea, which was to have been given by the Ladies' society of the First Presbyterian church at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. P. V. Mikell this afternoon and evening, has been postponed on account of illness in the family. A date will be announced later.

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SENATE KILLED BUILDING CODE

Close Vote on Measure Affecting Insurance.

WOULD INVESTIGATE FIRES

Authority Would be Given Commissioner in Certain Cases—Other Matters.

The entire morning session of the senate was taken up with the discussion upon Senator Christensen's bill to provide further for the winding up of the affairs of the old State dispensary. Senator Weston's bill to declare and define the duties of the insurance commissioner and upon various resolutions to accomplish the results of an election of an associate justice. The session is now drawing to a close and as stated upon the floor of the senate nothing much has been done in the way of legislation and, moreover, there has come to interfere with the making of laws this election of an associate justice. To make up for any loss of time that might be so occasioned the senate decided by a vote of 23 to 9 to meet at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Weston's Bill Killed.

House bill 358, Col Cosgrove's bill, which had been substituted in the senate for Senator Weston's bill to the same effect, was killed in the senate yesterday. The bill is to declare and define the powers of the insurance commissioner as to prevention of fires and conflagrations and to authorize the investigation of them.

Senator Clifton proposed an amendment to the bill, providing that any loss to property, etc., caused by the orders of the insurance commissioner in carrying out the provisions of the bill shall be paid out of the fund provided for the maintenance of the department as provided in the bill by giving the insurance commissioner the power to levy upon the insurance companies therefor. The Clifton amendment passed.

Senator Lide of Orangeburg stated that the provisions of the bill were too sweeping. Further, that as provided by amendment also in the bill that cities would be compelled to adopt the building code mentioned in the bill. This would make the bill non-effective, in that what is good for one city should be also good for another city.

Also that the bill gives too much power to one man, namely, the insurance commissioner. He also objected to the provision for attorneys' fees in this department, as he stated that other departments have no such provision except for attorneys being employed except, of course, the attorney general.

Upon the motion of Senator Lide to indefinitely postpone the bill the vote stood: Ayes 14, nays 14.

Thereupon Lieut. Gov. McLeod voted aye and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

A Building Code.

The bill introduced in the house by Col. Cosgrove of Charleston, and in the senate by Mr. Weston of Richland, provided that the insurance commissioner should be empowered to appoint the chief of the fire department in each city of this State for his deputy, as an inspector of buildings, provided the cities should adopt the terms of the building code which are a part of the bill. There was an amendment offered and accepted that same should be by a two-thirds vote of city councils in cities wishing to adopt the building code.

As is the case in many of the cities of this State already the bill provides for fire limits.

As to the erection of buildings it was provided that a permit should be received from the building inspector before a building could be started for erection. The building would have to be put up according to the building code, which would be furnished each prospective builder.

The bill in part provides:

"The walls of all buildings in cities and towns where this act applies, other than wood or frame buildings, shall be constructed of brick, iron or other hard or incombustible material.

"Within the fire limits of cities and towns where this act applies there shall be no frame or wooden building hereafter erected."

The thickness of walls, etc., was provided for in the bill for buildings such as stores, warehouses and hotels.

Provision was also made for the building of the foundation, same to be substantially built as provided for by the code.

Several sections of the bill referred to the methods by which the various parts of buildings should be erected, so as to provide against danger from fires as far as possible.

New Senate Bills.

Mr. Earle—To authorize the attorney general to bring suit to compel the owners of the Augusta dam across Savannah river to comply with the terms of the grant.

Mr. Earle—To amend section 3127 of the code of laws of South Carolina, 1902, volume 1, relating to the pay of auditors.

Mr. Crosson—To provide for the erection and maintenance of a passenger station, house and a freight depot at Ballentine, in the county of Lexington.

Mr. Harvey—To prohibit persons owning or keeping sheep killing dogs.

Mr. Weston—In relation to the courts of the Fifth judicial circuit, and to fix the time for holding the same.

COLUMBIANS GET CONTRACT.

Firm of J. J. Cain Will Construct Institute in St. Augustine, Fla.

A new building, to be erected for the deaf, blind and dumb at St. Augustine, Fla., will be chiefly Columbia in its construction. The contract for the construction was awarded to J. J. Cain of this city, his bid of $67,427 being the lowest submitted. The contract for the heating plant of the building was also awarded to a Columbia firm, W. B. Guimarin & Co., submitting the lowest bid—$2,600. The building is to be a very handsome one, of brick, and will supplant the present wooden structure.

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Senate Summary.

Dispensary matter created quite a lengthy discussion, in which there were some charges made.

Senator Christensen's bill to provide for the winding up of the dispensary affairs passed third reading and was ordered sent to the house.

Afternoon and night sessions held.

Senator Bass' fish bill again discussed.

Senate meets today at 11 o'clock.

SENATE THIRD READING BILLS

The following bills passed third reading in the senate yesterday and were ordered sent to the house:

Mr. Sullivan—To validate the election held May 12, 1908, to determine whether the town of Belton should issue bonds in the sum of $25,000, $12,500 thereof to be used to erect a plant for waterworks and $12,500 thereof to be used to build and equip a graded school building, and to validate the bonds issued in pursuance of said election.

Mr. Bass—To amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the county government for Williamsburg county," approved February 24, 1908.

Mr. Sinkler—To amend "An act to regulate the time for holding the courts of the Eighth, Ninth, Tenth and Third judicial circuits," approved February 24, 1908, relating to summoning jurors in Ninth circuit, Charleston county.

Mr. Lide—To incorporate the Edisto Power company, with certain rights, privileges, immunities and liabilities.

Mr. Bass—To regulate the statistics of leaf tobacco sold upon the floors of leaf tobacco warehouses of South Carolina.

Mr. Paulling—To amend section 19 of an act entitled "An act to establish Calhoun county," approved February 14, 1908.

Mr. Mauldin—To require electric street railway companies to affix inclosed vestibules to their cars.

Mr. Hall—To create a sinking fund commission for the town of Gaffney and to define its duties.

Mr. Earle—Relating to actions for the recovery of personal property.

Mr. Christensen—To amend section 1009 of the code, relating to magistrates in the county of Beaufort.

Mr. Christensen—To further provide for winding up the affairs of the State dispensary and for the sale of real estate heretofore used in conducting the dispensary.

Mr. Lide—To provide for the appointment of a commission in Orangeburg county.

Mr. Carlisle—To authorize the county treasurer of Kershaw county to pay certain money to the county treasurer of Spartanburg.

Mr. Wharton—To authorize the county board of Laurens to issue coupon bonds for the erection of bridges destroyed by the August flood.

Mr. Griffin—To amend section 5 of an act entitled "An act to declare the law in reference to and regulate the manufacture, sale, use, consumption, possession, transportation and disposition of alcoholic liquors and beverages within the State, and to police the same," approved the 16th day of February, 1907, relating to the appointment of dispensary board of Colleton county.

Mr. Mars—To authorize the school district of the town of Abbeville to issue additional bonds and levy a tax for the payment of said bonds and to have a sinking fund to redeem the same.

Mr. McMahan—To provide for the establishment and maintenance of a county police system for Richland county for the better protection of person and property, especially in the rural districts.

Mr. McMahan—To fix the charge of the court stenographer of the Fifth judicial circuit for transcript of testimony.

Mr. Otts—To authorize the county commissioners of York county and Cherokee county to construct a steel and iron bridge across the Broad river, authorize the county commissioners of said counties to raise funds to defray the expenses of same, and provide for the maintenance thereof.

Mr. Forrest—To authorize the commissioners of the sinking fund to lend funds to Saluda county.

Mr. Waller—A joint resolution to require the payment to W. J. Lyon, chairman of board of election commissioners of general election, 1908, Greenwood county, of $190.65 to defray expenses of said election.

Mr. Bass—Submitting the repeal of those two certain acts, approved December 24, 1891, and December 22, 1892, respectively, and known as acts Nos. 958 and 272, and found in volume 20, at page 1488, and 21, at page 360, respectively, whereby certain territory in Williamsburg county is exempt from the operation of the general stock law, during a certain period of each year, to a special election to be held in said territory.

Mr. Weston—To confirm the title of the executors of the will of W. H. Gibbes to a section of College street and a section of Gregg street, as originally located in the plan of the city of Columbia.

Mr. Waller—To amend sections 2383 and 2384, code of laws of South Carolina, 1902, volume 1, with reference to renunciation of dower.

Mr. Weston—To amend section 948, code of laws of South Carolina, volume 1, relating to the probate of deeds beyond the limits of this State.

Mr. Forrest—To amend an act entitled "An act to provide for working the roads in Saluda county," approved 13th day of February, A. D. 1907.

Mr. Williams—To provide for the improvement of the public roads of Lancaster county and levy a tax for road and bridges.

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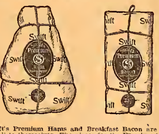

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